

Policy No.	001b	Mandatory Play Rule Policy (5-6th Grade)
Issue No.	4	
Date	7/29/2025	



Overview	To ensure all <u>eligible</u> players (5-6 th grade) get a minimum number of plays in each game based on team size.
Policy	All <u>eligible</u> players (5-6 th grade) shall participate in a minimum of 7 plays each game. For teams with more than 24 players (25+), the minimum play count (including special teams decreases to 5 plays per game.
Policy Guidelines	
Eligibility	<p>A 5-6th grade eligible player is a player that exhibits, at a minimum, all of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Participated in a minimum of 10 practices (20 hours) including 3 practices (6 hours) helmets only prior to their first game. ● Absences during the week prior to the game: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1 absence (unexcused) = the player is not eligible to be a starter.
Rules	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Plays must be from the line of scrimmage. 2. The play must be an active, forward moving play, with no penalties as a result. 3. If a player is injured before completing the minimum plays, it should be noted on the MPR form that they became injured and placed in the team book for reference.
Tracking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Head Coach is accountable for compliance with all MPR rules.
Consequences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The following are the consequences for coaches not adhering to this MPR policy. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1st Occurrence: If player(s) do not get their minimum plays in a game, the head coach will meet with the director of coaching to discuss the reason(s). ○ 2nd Occurrence: The head coach will meet with the executive board. ○ 3rd Occurrence: The head coach will be suspended for the next game. Further violations may result in other game/season suspensions.
Associated Policies, Procedures, and Forms	<p>Mandatory Play Form (5-6th grade)</p> <p>Player Attendance Log</p>
Approving Authority	PFJT&C Executive Board

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Responsible Party	Team Level – Team Manager Organization Level – PFJT&C Player Agent, PFJT&C Executive Board