

## **Athletic and Activities Code for High School Students**

High school students have the privilege of participating in a variety of interscholastic sports, as well as cheer staff and dance team. This code covers all sports and these activities. Student athletes are considered to have positions of leadership, and are expected to demonstrate that leadership by following the rules listed below. This code of conduct is designed to ensure that our student athletes reflect positive attitudes and behaviors toward their school, teammates, coaches, families, and themselves.

### **Rule 1 Students must maintain a 2.0 grade point average (GPA) and have no failing grades.**

- A. Refer to the Academic Eligibility Procedure 3515 P-1 for specific information about academic eligibility.
- B. Students who do not meet the minimum academic standards at the beginning of the season may practice with the team, but may not participate in any competition. Throughout these procedures, "not participating in competition," means the student may not suit up, ride the bus, sit on the bench, or be on the sidelines.
- C. Academic progress will be monitored at the checkpoints listed in the Academic Eligibility Procedure.
- D. Ineligible students must attend study table. They may not practice unless they attend study table. They may not participate in any competition until they become eligible.

### **Rule 2 Students must refrain from possessing or using alcohol and/or drugs**

- A. 1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE will result in suspension from participation for a minimum of fifteen (15) school days - no practice, no competition. Depending on the severity of the offense, the coach, principal and athletic director may suspend the student from the team for the rest of the season.
- B. 2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE will result in the student being suspended from all sports for one calendar year from the date of the second violation.
- C. 3<sup>RD</sup> OFFENSE will result in the student being permanently prohibited from all sports participation.

### **Rule 3 Students must refrain from possession, sale and/or use of legend drugs or controlled substances.**

According to WIAA Regulation 18.22.3, violation of RCW 69.41.020 - 69.41.050 (Legend drugs including anabolic steroids; possession, sale and/or use) or violation of RCW 69.50 (uniform Controlled Substances Act) will subject the student to disciplinary actions. Legend drugs are those drugs that can be taken legally only through prescription.

Controlled substances and controlled substance analogs are defined in RCW 69.50.101. The following penalties will be administered.

- A. 1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE will result in the student being immediately ineligible for competition in the current interscholastic sports program for the remainder of the season. Ineligibility shall continue until the next sport season in which the student athlete wishes to turn out. Prior to being eligible to participate in the next interscholastic sports season, the student athlete shall consent to an assessment by a district-approved agency and will comply with the recommendations of the assessment provider. The student must then meet with the coach, principal and athletic director, who will determine whether the student will be allowed to participate.
- B. 2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE will result in the student being suspended from all sports for one calendar year from the date of the second violation.
- C. 3<sup>RD</sup> OFFENSE will result in the student being permanently prohibited from all sports participation.

**Rule 4 Students shall demonstrate satisfactory conduct in and out of school.**

Students shall represent the school and team in a positive manner. Students shall display appropriate public conduct, school behavior, and sportsmanship at all times; and refrain from breaking team rules, school rules or the law. For example, student athletes must not only refrain from possessing, using, or selling drugs or alcohol, they should not willingly remain at a peer gathering on or off campus at which alcohol or drugs are present.

- A. 1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE. Punishment will depend on the severity of the offense. Students who are arrested on criminal charges may be suspended or removed from the team. The students must meet with the coach, principal, athletic director and assistant superintendent for secondary schools, who will determine whether they will be allowed to participate. Students who are suspended from school are suspended from the team at the same time. Students who are assigned ISS for tardiness, truancy, or other disciplinary infractions may not participate in competition during that time.
- B. 2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE. Students who are found guilty of criminal charges for a second time may be suspended or removed from the team, and may be prohibited from participating in any sports for one calendar year from the date of the second conviction. The principal, athletic director and administrator for secondary schools will decide, basing judgment on the severity of the offense. Students who are suspended from school for a second time during a season are to be removed from the team for the remainder of the season.
- C. 3<sup>RD</sup> OFFENSE. Students who are found guilty of criminal charges for a third time may be permanently prohibited from all sports participation. The principal, athletic director and administrator for secondary schools will decide, basing judgment on the severity of the offense. Students who are suspended from school for a third time may be prohibited from participating in any sports activities for one calendar year.

**COMMENTS**

1. Disciplinary consequences for athletic team members are in addition to school administrative disciplinary action.
2. Clover Park School District rules on tobacco, alcohol and drugs include both school and non-school hours. Students are expected to refrain from any possession or use of these items during a season; or else face disciplinary action.
3. Satisfactory academic progress is defined as a 2.0 GPA and no failing grades.
4. Students may appeal disciplinary or eligibility decisions to a committee consisting of the principal, athletic director and assistant superintendent for secondary schools.

**We understand the above statements and agree to abide by the policies of the Clover Park School District.**

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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