

Lewistown School District No. 1

STUDENTS

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Activities Chemical Use Policy

Students participating in activities, whether sponsored by the MHSA or not, shall not use, have in possession, sell, or distribute alcohol, tobacco, or illegal drugs or abuse prescription or non-prescription drugs during their extracurricular seasons. These rules are in effect twenty-four (24) hours a day. If a student receives an IP or is seen using tobacco, alcohol, or illicit drugs, the student will forfeit the privilege of participating in accordance with the activities and student handbooks.

Policy Coverage

This policy applies to middle and high school students who are involved in the extra- and co-curricular activities program.

Policy Duration

This policy is in effect each school year, from the date of the first (1st) practice for fall activities until the last day of school or activities, whichever is later. Violations are cumulative through the student's period of attendance in grades 7-8 and in grades 9-12. The Administration shall publish the participation rules annually in the activities and student handbooks.

Student and Parent/Legal Guardian Due Process

If a determination is made that a student has violated this policy, the student and parent(s) or guardian(s) shall be notified of the violation by telephone, where possible, and also by mail. Also at this time, the student and parent(s) or guardian(s) shall be notified of the type of discipline that will be administered.

Any parent or legal guardian and student who are aggrieved by the imposition of any action shall have the right to an informal conference with the principal, for the purpose of resolving the grievance. At such a conference, the student and the parent or guardian shall be subject to questioning by the principal, and shall be entitled to question staff involved in the matter being grieved.

Should the grievance remain unresolved the parent may ask for a similar conference with the superintendent. Again, dependent on the grievances resolve, the parents may ask for an activity exclusion hearing with the school board.

Legal Reference: 20-5-201, MCA Duties and sanctions

Policy History:

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