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RANDOM DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING OF STUDENTS IN COCURRICULAR AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Students who participate in athletics, co-curricular and extracurricular activities within the Douglas County School District are expected to adhere to the code of conduct of each activity. Additionally, students in grades 9-12 may be subjected to random drug and alcohol testing. All high school students who participate in school activities will be held to the standards established by the Nevada Interscholastic Athletic Association (NIAA).

A. FIRST POSITIVE/VIOLATION

The first violation or positive test results from the MRO or a determination that the sample has been altered or adulterated will constitute a "first positive." **Student athletes** will face a six (6) competitive week suspension from participation in the school club, co-curricular activity or interscholastic competition *from a sport in which the student's name has appeared on any NIAA roster*. The suspension shall begin with the first meeting of the activity or first scheduled competition of the sport after the suspension occurs.

Three (3) competitive weeks of the suspension of eligibility may be waived if the student successfully completes all components of the appropriate substance abuse intervention program designed by the District (**see section D**) or as set forth in the NIAA Drug and Alcohol Policy. The student may practice with the team or club during the period of suspension if approved by the coach and principal, but may not participate in any club activities or athletic competitions.

Students participating in co-curricular activities will be ineligible to participate in their activity for six (6) weeks beginning the first week after the suspension occurs. The student will be given the option of participation in a drug/alcohol assistance program and submission to periodic follow-up tests before being permitted to participate in future activities. In addition, such students are subject to the penalties outlined in the DCSD co-curricular clearance packet. Three (3) weeks of the

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suspension of eligibility shall be waived if the student successfully completes the program outlined in section D.

B. SECOND POSITIVE/VIOLATION

The student shall be suspended from the school club, co-curricular activity or interscholastic competition *from a sport in which the student's name has appeared on any NIAA roster for a minimum of ninety (90) school days* which shall include a minimum of six (6) competitive weeks of competition.

The student shall not be allowed to practice with the team/club, or participate in any out of season activities and must complete the requirements set forth in subparagraphs A and B below, in order to be considered for reinstatement of future athletic/club eligibility. Such eligibility shall be determined following **the ninety (90) school day** suspension of athletic/club eligibility by a group composed of one of the student's parents/legal guardians, the school principal, athletic director, coach and a substance abuse program coordinator selected by the parent.

- A. A substance abuse evaluation assessment conducted by a licensed alcohol and drug counselor at the expense of the parent/legal guardian of the student must be completed within ten (10) school days following the suspension and all assessment recommendations must be satisfactorily met before athletic eligibility may be reinstated.
- B. The student must successfully participate in all sessions of the appropriate substance abuse intervention program designed by the District (Section D) or in adherence to the requirements set forth by the NIAA Drug and Alcohol Policy.

Students in co-curricular activities are subject to the penalties outlined in the DCSD co-curricular clearance packet.

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C. THIRD POSITIVE/VIOLATION:

A third positive result or a determination that the sample has been altered or adulterated will result in the student being barred from further participation in any athletic and/or cocurricular activity for the remainder of his/her time enrolled within the Douglas County School District. Student athletes are subject to penalties imposed by the NIAA to be found at <http://www.niaa.com> and outlined in the DCSD Athletic Packet.

D. In each case, the school administration shall accept a written or oral report from the student following his/her assigned activity. The student shall spend a minimum of eight (8) hours on the assignment. The report shall meet the expectations of the administrator and the administrator may require additional work at their sole discretion. Upon completion of the determination, the investigating administrator may assign from any of the following activities:

- a. Attend a substance abuse education program at the expense of the student (Site administrator may refer at District expense on basis of hardship only after consulting with Executive Director of Area 4);
- b. Participate in assigned modules in the BASE Program through the DCSD counseling offices.
- c. Consult with JPO, officer of the court, clergy, or other person in position of influence for a minimum of 8 hours on the effects of substance abuse on youth and have that official sign a document as to the time spent with student.
- d. Contact the local health department and gather information on liver diseases and other health related issues tied to consumption of alcohol and prepare a report;
- e. Research a famous person whose career was affected by alcohol or drug abuse and prepare a report;
- f. Complete 10 hours of verified community service;
- g. View assigned videos about substance abuse and prepare a written report;
- h. Conduct research into the effects of substance abuse on youth and produce a written report about the findings.

[See Policy related to this Administrative Regulation](#)
[See also: Board Policy 216](#)

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[Administrative Regulation 216](#)
[Exhibit A](#)
[Exhibit B](#)

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