

## TENNYSON HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Tennyson High School wishes to make all parents and spectators aware of the Code of Conduct subscribed to by the California Interscholastic Federation, the North Coast Section, the Western Alameda County Conference and Tennyson High School.

Spectators are expected to conduct themselves in a manner which shall bring credit to themselves, their schools, communities, athlete, coaches, and families. They shall refrain from all conduct which tends to degrade, bait intimidate, or otherwise discredit their opponents, officials or interscholastic high school athletics. Specifically spectators shall:

1. Maintain a high degree of sportsmanship during and after athletic contests;
2. Remain in the designated seating areas while a contest is in progress;
3. Refrain from entering the court/playing field;
4. Refrain from confronting an official, coach, school official, or player before, during or after an athletic contest;
5. Be responsible to directives from administrative or site supervisors

Student athletes are expected to conduct themselves in a like manner. In order to represent Tennyson High School in CIF sanctioned athletics, a student must have earned an overall academic grade point average of 2.0 or higher in the quarter immediately preceding that of participation and have no more than one failing grade in the previous report card. A student athlete must be making normal progress toward graduation by passing at least 30 semester units of new work the previous semester. Only one of the subjects may be physical education (5 semester units). Specifically student athletes shall:

1. **All detentions served and cleared**
2. **No visits to in-school detention/suspension room**
3. **No Suspensions or referrals on game days**
4. **Not on a Shortened Day Schedule or Independent Study due to behavior**
5. **Students must be present in all classes on game days**
6. Refrain from racial slurs/name calling/baiting opponents/disrespectfully addressing officials;
7. Refrain from doing anything that might incite undesirable crowd behavior;
8. Refrain from all unsportsmanlike conduct, including those unacceptable behaviors listed in the NCS Ejection Policy;
9. Know and understand the NCS Ejection Policy;
10. Understand that student athletes don't get in free at the visitor's site;
11. Know their team rules and abide by those;
12. Refrain from using androgenic/anabolic steroids. See next paragraph below.

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Both the participating student-athlete and the parents, legal guardian/caregiver hereby agree that the student shall not use androgenic/anabolic steroids without the written prescription of a fully licensed physician (as recognized by the AMA) to treat a medical condition. We also recognize that under CIF Bylaw 200.D, there could be penalties for false or fraudulent information. The Tennyson High School of the Hayward Unified School District policy regarding the use of illegal drugs will be enforced for violation of these rules.

In addition, Tennyson High School would like to emphasize the importance of positive support for the players and coaches from spectators in the stands. Positive, encouraging remarks to the players go a long way in helping the morale of the teams and the self-esteem of the athletes.

Spectators and athletes need to remember that any actions detrimental to the playing of the contest may cause forfeiture of the contest. Booing of the officials will NOT be tolerated. Tennyson does reserve the right to remove any person (spectator or athlete) who is in violation of the expressed standards of conduct and to refuse admission to future contests.