

## BVSD ATHLETIC CODE OF CONDUCT POLICIES - IGDJA - INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Athletics and extracurricular activities encourage students to engage in their education, achieve their maximum potential, and build discipline and character. Participants represent not only themselves, but the students, faculty, and their entire school communities.

Participation in interscholastic athletics and extracurricular activities is a privilege subject to compliance with the School District's Policies and practices.

All student athletes and participants in extracurricular activities are bound by the School District's Student Code of Conduct, including the prohibitions on sexual harassment and sexual violence. Also, the School District has adopted the following additional rules and regulations:

- Participants may be required to pass a physical examination as appropriate to the activity.
- Participants shall maintain appropriate standards of academic performance and class attendance.
- Participants will abide by general school and community principles of good sportsmanship and conduct.
- All students who participate in interscholastic athletics and extracurricular activities must sign an acknowledgement of the requirements to participate, preferably when they first participate in athletics or activities. Regardless of whether a student has signed the acknowledgment, any student who participates in interscholastic athletics or extracurricular activities is subject to this Policy. All coaches and activity supervisors are encouraged to review the Policy and expectations with the students at the beginning of the season or activity.

### Disciplinary Procedures

Students alleged to have violated the School District's Code of Conduct or any of the additional expectations included in this Policy shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary sanctions. Investigations shall be conducted by the Principal or appropriate school administration or as otherwise required by law or policy. Depending on the nature of the allegation, the School may restrict the student's participation in the athletic or extracurricular activity until the investigation is complete. An investigation will include

an opportunity for students to present their side of the story. This does not include the right to secure counsel, to confront and cross-examine witnesses, or to call witnesses.

The determination to impose sanctions related to participation in interscholastic athletics or extracurricular activities and the nature of the sanctions to be imposed shall be made by the Principal. The school will provide appropriate notice of any sanction to the student and parent(s).

### Application of Policy

A student is subject to this Policy throughout the season of the sport or duration of the activity. In addition, sanctions may be imposed for serious and substantial violations occurring at any time during the school year, on or off campus, and, where deemed appropriate, while school is not in session.

### Miscellaneous

Nothing contained in this Policy shall be deemed to prohibit a coach or activity sponsor from establishing and enforcing additional rules appropriate and applicable to the activity, and other matters relating to the functioning of the team or group. It is anticipated that minor violations--meaning only those that do not constitute a violation of the School District's Code of Conduct or this Policy--may be handled directly by the coach or activity sponsor after conferring with the Athletic Director and/or the appropriate School District administrator.

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The following suggested progressive discipline protocol is provided with the intention to align schools in the Boulder Valley School District in addressing student conduct, but does not limit principals' discretion to assign appropriate consequences. As stated in the Policy, participation in interscholastic athletics and extracurricular activities is a privilege and nothing in the Policy or this regulation creates any rights to participation, unless otherwise created by law.

### General Principles

- Students shall not transfer between schools to avoid penalties.
- Sanctions carry over from season to season, activity to activity, and year to year, at the discretion of the principal.

- With athletics, suspensions must be served at the highest level of competition for that athlete as determined by the athletic director. The athlete may not compete in any scrimmage or contest at any level until the suspensions have been served. For example, players who play JV and Varsity must serve their suspensions at the varsity level before regaining eligibility. In order for games to count towards the total, the athlete must complete the season in which the suspension occurred in good standing.
- If a student is suspended from school, then the student will miss the activities and contests during the period of suspension from school or the assigned percent of total scheduled contests or activities, whichever is more.

First Offense:

The student is suspended for 20 percent of total scheduled contests and activities. Any fractions of games/events/activities are rounded to the nearest whole number.

Second Offense within three Calendar Years:

The student is suspended for 50 percent of total scheduled contests and activities. Any fractions of games/events/activities are rounded to the nearest whole number.

Third Offense within three Calendar Years:

Student will be suspended from participation in all athletics and activities for one calendar year.

For drug/alcohol/tobacco offenses, a student may petition the Principal for reconsideration of eligibility after a period of four months, if the athlete participates in a school approved education, rehabilitation or treatment program and provides appropriate documentation of successful completion of the program.