

**APPENDIX A**  
**STUDENT SUBSTANCE ABUSE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**  
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 232, JOHNSON COUNTY, KS  
EXTRACURRICULAR/CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES SUBSTANCE ABUSE GUIDELINES

USD 232 believes that school activities are a positive influence for students and the community. The expectation for all students is to be lawful in the conduct of their daily lives. Students who voluntarily represent USD 232 in various activities are held to a high code of conduct. The Extracurricular/Co-Curricular Activities Substance Abuse Guidelines reinforce the expectation of good conduct and positive representation of the District by all students who participate in the District's various activity programs.

Participation in extracurricular and co-curricular activities, as defined by the Kansas State High School Athletic Association (KSHSAA) and by Unified School District No. 232, is a privilege. This privilege is available to a student for as long as the student complies with District policies, KSHSAA policies and coach/sponsor expectations. Failure to comply with any of the guidelines will result in suspension of the privilege of participating in activities. These guidelines are an extension of the District substance abuse policies found in sections JDDA & JCDA of the Board of Education Policy, as well as the KSHSAA policy concerning the use and abuse of alcohol, tobacco, nicotine delivery devices and other illegal substances.

Under these guidelines, an offense shall mean the use, possession, disbursement, or being under the influence of alcohol, tobacco, nicotine delivery devices, inhalants, or any illegal substance by a USD 232 student activities participant at any school related activity, on or off school property, while riding in a school district vehicle, in or out of school, year around. Any student suspected of an offense shall be notified of the suspected offense and due process will be afforded to the student. The parent/guardian will also be notified. As an extension of the district's disciplinary policies, any offense on school property, off school property, or at a school-sponsored activity will also result in appropriate District/school disciplinary action. Activity suspensions may carry over from one season to the next and/or from one school year to the next. These guidelines are cumulative throughout the student's entire middle or high school activity experience, including summers. Example: Should a student acquire a first offense during the season of an extracurricular/co-curricular activity of their freshman year and another offense during their junior year, the offense in the junior year becomes their second offense. The consequences will reset after all requirements are met for middle school. Incoming freshman will fall under the high school policy starting at the fulfillment of their 8<sup>th</sup> grade requirements.

Before a middle or high school student may participate in extracurricular and co-curricular activities, the student and parent/guardian must sign this form indicating they have read and understand the substance abuse guidelines.

**First Offense (All Apply)**

- A. The student shall forfeit eligibility for up to the next two (2) consecutive inter-scholastic event dates or up to two (2) weeks of a competition season (beginning with the first event date) in which the student is a participant. At the discretion of the Building Administrative Team, disciplined students may attend games/events with the team but may not suit up. Students can still practice with a team or individual sport during an event suspension; and \*\*
- B. A conference with the participant, school administrator, coach/sponsor, and parents before reinstatement; and
- C. Fulfillment of any additional responsibilities required by the coach/sponsor before reinstatement.

**Second Offense (All Apply)**

- A. The student shall forfeit eligibility for up to six (6) weeks of a competition season in which the student is a participant. This period excluding buffer week, KSHSAA non-practice dates, holidays and spring break. At the discretion of the Building Administrative Team, disciplined students may attend games/events with the team but may not suit up. Students can still practice with a team or individual sport during an event suspension; and \*\*
- B. A conference with the participant, school administrator, coach/sponsor, and parents before reinstatement; and
- C. Fulfillment of any additional responsibilities required by the coach/sponsor before reinstatement.

**Third Offense (All Apply)**

- A. Suspension from participation in extracurricular activities for a minimum of 365 consecutive days; and
- B. A conference with the participant, school administrator, coach/sponsor, and parents before reinstatement; and
- C. Fulfillment of any additional responsibilities required by the coach/sponsor before reinstatement.

\*\*Note: For a suspension or partial suspension to count, the student must complete the season in good standing.

The district hires coaches/sponsors to manage their activities. Coaches may have stricter rules than what is provided by these guidelines. If a coach or sponsor has stricter expectations, those rules shall be provided to the student and parent by the coach in writing and returned to the coach signed by the parent prior to the start of the activity. The substance abuse guidelines provide a baseline to which all extracurricular and co-curricular programs will adhere. Coaches/Sponsors may go above and beyond these guidelines with full support from the administration and Board of Education. Students are expected to follow all written rules of the team activity in which they are involved.

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Student Name (Printed)

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Student ID Number

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Student Signature

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Parent Signature

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Date

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