

MAVERICKS

Athletic Handbook

The three school co-op committee met and found common ground for training rules that all three schools will follow. Those specific rules and regulations are listed below.

In addition, every student must continue to follow their own school rules found in each of their student handbooks. Any violation outside of the athletic protocols will be enforced by each individual school. Make sure and review your school's handbook.

Training Rules/Eligibility

- **Grade Eligibility:** Grades will be checked every four and a half weeks. If a student is failing a class or has below a 2.00 GPA, they will be put on a one week probation in which they will be able to practice and play. After the probation period, if the student is still failing a class or has below a 2.00 GPA they will be ineligible to play and travel but may still practice. The student's grades will be checked weekly, if a student is ineligible for three straight weeks they are no longer allowed to practice, play or travel.
- **Missing Practice or being late to practice:** Coaches decision.
- **Dress:** No blue jeans, dress up before **and after** games. No caps in school buildings. (Long trips, i.e. Scobey, can be modified by coach's discretion.)
- **Curfew:** 10:30 PM on school and game nights, 12:00 AM on weekends.
- **NO CELL PHONES IN THE LOCKERROOMS! (Note: This violation could be a criminal act. Make sure cell phones are never used in the locker room)**
- **Lettering:**
 - Basketball – play in 18 quarters and suit up for post season tournament. Coach's discretion may be used for athletes who are injured during the season.
 - Volleyball - play in 18 games and suit up for post season.
- **Alcohol, Tobacco, Drugs:** 1st offence - 2 week suspension if student self-reports, 4 weeks if coach or administration investigate and find student at fault, may practice but no travel. 2nd offence – suspended for remainder of season. No guilt by association.

- **Physicals:** Must be completed before any athlete can practice/participate.
- **All MHSA rules are to be followed** (transfer students, practices, playing quarters, grades, etc.). Check out the MHSA web site for specific deals if you have any unusual issues.
- **Behavior and Attitudes:** Athletes are to refrain from swearing or causing any verbal or physical abuse towards fellow athletes. Coaches have full discretion on punishing such behavior including but not limited to extra conditioning, limited playing time, or traveling with the team. Severe situations will be taken to the student's superintendent for possible discipline decisions.
- **Transportation:** Participants are expected to ride the team bus to and from competitions. Prior arrangements should be made and a release form filled out. Special circumstances must be cleared with their coach and/or the specific school superintendent. Music and movies must be school appropriate. Movies must be rated below an R rating. Coaches have the discretion to assign seating (male/female restrictions) and other incidentals that may occur during trips.
- **Attendance:** Athletes should be in school the day of, or the day before, any contest. Exceptions can be made by the coach and/or the superintendent and prior notification is desired when possible. Missing more than half of the school day due to illness may be problematic for any athlete and the coach will make final determines. If you are sick, you shouldn't be playing anyway. Decisions related to missing school due to appointments or family situations can be determined by the coach, and if necessary, the student's superintendent.
- **For any unusual things** that might arise during the season or on trips, the best policy is to check with your coach beforehand. Making sure everyone understands the situation ahead of time is far better than discovering the ramifications later. Always communicate with your coach.