

# **MS Athletic/Activities Academic and Behavior Policy**

Students who participate in co-curricular activities will adhere to all Woodburn School District policies, rules, regulations, and guidelines.

## **STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Must receive a physical by a licensed physician and return completed physical form to the office. Physicals must be current and updated every two years. (HS athletic office will require student-athletes to receive a physical their 9th and 11th grade years)
- Must complete the Athletic Participation form and return to office, prior to the start of the season.
- Maintain an academic standing equal to their ability.
- Attend school and classes on time.
- Maintain excellent physical condition throughout the season.
- Avoid the use of alcohol, drugs, and tobacco.
- Follow coaches'/advisors instructions as to diet, rest and sleep.
- Respect the rules of the contest and those who administer them.
- Promote good sportsmanship and citizenship in the school and community.
- Report all injuries to the coach/advisor.
- Care for their equipment and return all equipment at the end of the season.
- Maintain positive and timely communication with respective coaches.

**All forms must be completed and turned in prior to first practice**

## **Eligibility**

An eligible student is one who is currently enrolled in school, attending regularly and passing classes.

- Any exception to this policy must be made through a hardship request to Administration.
- Students must be enrolled in WSD
- All athletes' grades will be checked weekly by the Administration (athletic secretary, A.C., Administration and coaches) during each sport season. If an athlete is **failing a class** or **drops beneath a 2.0 G.P.A.**, they have **two** weeks to raise the grade(s) or they will be ineligible to participate in practices or competitions until passing grades are achieved.
  - Athletic director pulls grades on Wednesday
    - Any student who is failing a class or drops beneath a 2.0GPA will be on probation and meet with administration. Admin would communicate with families and coaches.
  - Communicate grades to students on Thursday.
  - Have grades up by the following Wednesday. If the student has not improved their grade to passing, then they are expected to continue to practice and participate in games.
  - The second week of failing the same class or a GPA below 2.0, students can practice only. Students who are academically suspended are not eligible to participate in away games during the second week of failing classes.
  - If grades are not brought to a passing level by the beginning of the third week, student-athletes will be ineligible to participate in either practices or games until grades are improved.
  - When the grades improve, the student-athlete will be able to practice and play.
- Exceptions may be made if the coach, Administration, cooperating teacher and/or legal guardian all agree that the student is making academic progress.
- Regular attendance: Student has no unexcused absences for the day.

## **Student Athlete Code of Conduct:**

This rule is in effect from the first day an athlete begins participation in a middle school sport throughout the remainder of the school year and all subsequent years of the student athlete's attendance in the Woodburn School District. **It is in effect 24 hours a day.**

The guidelines set forth in this rule have been established as a minimum code for athletes. This rule will be administered by the coach in conjunction with the building administration. This rule does not supersede the district's student discipline policy and rules.

Before participating in a sport, the student athlete and his/her parents or guardian are expected to sign this rule as part of the Code of Conduct. By their signature, the student athlete and parent agree that the student athlete shall comply and abide by the terms and conditions of this rule immediately following the execution of this rule, at all times, throughout the remainder of the student athlete's middle school attendance.

## **ACADEMICS AND BEHAVIORAL EXCEPTIONS:**

Students participating in school athletics are expected to pass and successfully meet all academic expectations. Students are also expected to meet the behavioral standards of their classes, their school and the district.

Students failing to meet appropriate academic or behavioral standards may be withheld or dismissed from participation in school activities. (ie. excessive tardiness, disorderly conduct, insubordination)

On all of the activities held away from School, students will ride to and from the activity in school transportation. Students may travel home with parents/guardians only and must sign-off with the coach.

Students will be personally responsible for all school equipment issued to them and will return it in good condition and on time. Students will pay for equipment lost or damaged at replacement cost.

**Students are ineligible to participate in practice or in an activity/contest if they skip class or if they have been placed on suspension or expelled. Students must be in school all day in order to participate. Exceptions are prearranged absences, doctor appointments, school-related absences or approval of the administrator.**

If a student turns out for a sport/activity and quits or is dismissed because of disciplinary reasons, the student is ineligible to turn out for another sport/activity for the remainder of the school year without the approval of the WSD administrative team.

## **ATTENDANCE EXPECTATIONS:**

Students participating in athletics/activities are expected to attend all practices. If a student misses a practice/event, they must contact the coach/advisor in advance. Failure to meet this expectation may lead to the following:

### **Consequence for Unexcused Absence:**

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| <b><u>First offense:</u></b>  | Player will be suspended for next athletic contest.                    |
| <b><u>Second offense:</u></b> | Player will be placed on an attendance contract.                       |
| <b><u>Third offense:</u></b>  | Player will be suspended from athletics for the remainder of the year. |

\*Programs may have additional expectations/policies. Signed copies to remain on file.

## **MISBEHAVIOR:**

The admission of facts which constitute a criminal offense or conviction of a criminal offense, either felony or misdemeanor (excluding minor traffic violations) may result in a suspension from game participation for a maximum of nine weeks from the date of the admission or conviction or the beginning of the competition season.

In-school suspension shall result in denial of participation in competition events, unless the student athlete attends, fully participates and completes the in-school suspension requirements.

The accumulation of two team suspensions by the coach during a sport season will result in dismissal from the squad for the duration of the sport season.

Athletes cannot participate in interscholastic practices, activities or competitive events for the duration of an out-of-school suspension.

## **DRUGS AND ALCOHOL:**

No student involved in an interscholastic athletic program shall knowingly possess, use, transmit or be under the influence of alcohol, a tobacco product, performance enhancing drugs, inhalants or controlled substances of any kind (except as prescribed by a medical professional) during a school year.

The possession, use or transmittal of alcohol, performance enhancing drugs, inhalants or controlled substances or a determination by a school official that a student athlete used either alcohol, tobacco, performance enhancing drugs or controlled substances will subject the student athlete to consequences in accordance with board policy.

Parent /  
Guardian : \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Sport: \_\_\_\_\_

