



Falls City ISD
Random Drug Testing Program
(FNF Local)

2024 - 2025

Purpose of the Drug Testing Program

- Prevent injury, illness, and harm from the use of illegal drugs.
- Help enforce a drug-free educational environment.
- Deter student use of illegal drugs.
- Undermine the effects of peer pressure by providing students a legitimate reason to say no to drug use.

Who is included in the Falls City Drug Testing Program?

- Students in grades 9 - 12 who participate in school-sponsored extracurricular activities
- Participants in all University Interscholastic League (UIL) sanctioned activities, as well as cheerleading and dance/drill team
- Any student who request a permit to park a vehicle on campus
- Any student who signs up for voluntary drug testing

Who is included in the Falls City ISD Drug Testing Program?

- All UIL Sports
- All UIL Academics
- Dance Team
- Cheerleading
- Band
- FFA - Judging and Stock Show participants
- FCCLA - Competitions
- Welding - Competition and Ag Mechanics Participants
- All students parking on campus

Substances that are tested:

- **Alcohol**
- **Amphetamines**
 - Methamphetamine
 - Amphetamine
- **Cocaine**
- **Cannabinoids (marijuana)**
- **Opiates**
 - Codeine
 - Morphine
 - Heroin
- **Phencyclidine**
 - PCP, Angel Dust

Substances that are tested, continued:

- **Barbiturates** (phenobarbital, butalbital)
- **Benzodiazepines** (Valium, Xanax)
- **Methadone**
- **Methaqualone**
- **Propoxyphene**
- **Metabolites of any of these substances**
- **Synthetic Drugs**

Scope of Testing

- All students participating in the covered events will be tested on the first test date at the beginning of school.
- Students who enter the program after initial testing will be tested on the first available random test date following entry in a covered activity.
- Everyone will be tested at least once.

Random Testing

- Shall be conducted up to 8 times throughout the school year and the testing laboratory shall select the testing dates.
- No less than 10% and no more than 50% of students participating will be randomly selected for each random test date.
- Students will not receive prior notice of testing date or time.

Absence/Refusal to Participate

- If a student is absent on the day of the random test, a sample shall be collected on the next random testing date.
- A student who refuses to be tested when selected or who is determined to have tampered with a sample shall be deemed to have a positive test result and shall be subject to the appropriate consequences depending on previous positive test results, if any.

The Testing Process

- Drug Testing is a four step process
 - **Collection** - urine sample
 - Students selected for testing will be escorted to the testing site and will remain under supervision until a sample is provided.
 - Samples will be taken behind a restroom stall.
 - An adult of the same gender shall be present when samples are collected.
 - **Screening**
 - **Confirmation**
 - **Reviewing**

Positive Test Result

- An initial positive test will be confirmed before being reported as positive.
- A Medical Review Officer (MRO) from the testing lab will contact the student's parent.
- If the required and appropriate medical documentation is provided within three (3) days the MRO will report the new result.
- Without the appropriate medical documentation, the MRO will report a positive test result to the school administrator.

Parent Notification

- A conference will be scheduled with the student and the student's parent, an administrator, and the coach or sponsor of the extracurricular activity to discuss the test result and the consequences/provisions of the Drug Testing Program

Consequences - First Offense

- The student shall be suspended from any affected extracurricular activities and parking on campus for fifteen (15) school days following the date the student and parent are notified of the test results.
- During the period of suspension, the student shall be permitted to participate in practices.
- After serving the suspension the student will regain eligibility and shall be retested on the next three (3) random test dates.
- Consequences of positive test results shall be cumulative throughout the student's enrollment in Falls City ISD.

Consequences - Second Offense

- The student shall be suspended from any affected extracurricular activities and parking on campus for forty-five (45) school days following the date the student and parent are notified of the test results.
- During the period of suspension, the student shall be permitted to participate in practices.
- After serving the suspension students will regain eligibility and shall be retested on the next three (3) random test dates.

Consequences - Third Offense

- The student shall be suspended from participation in any extracurricular activity and parking on campus for the remainder of the student's enrollment in Falls City ISD.

Consequences.....

- If a student suspension is not completed by the end of the school year, the student will serve the suspension during the first semester of the following school year.

Use of Drug Testing Results

- Drug test results shall be used only to determine eligibility for participation in the affected extracurricular activities and parking privileges.
- Positive drug test results shall not be used to impose disciplinary sanctions or academic penalties.

Student Grades

- A student's grade will not be affected in any course associated with the extracurricular activity.
- If participation is included as a part of the student's grade, the student is required to satisfy attendance and course requirements for the required grade.

Confidentiality Assurances

- Drug test results shall only be disclosed to the student, the student's parents, and designated school officials who need the information.
- Drug test results will not be maintained with a student's academic record or student folder.
- Results will not be transferred to another district.

Requirements for Students

- Attend the annual orientation meeting to be held in August.
(Parent/student attendance is recommended).
- Before a student is eligible to participate in the affected extracurricular activities or park at the school, the student shall be required annually to sign a consent form agreeing to be subject to the rules and procedures of the drug testing program.
- If the student is under the age of 18, the student's parent/guardian shall also sign a consent form.

Questions

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