



Maypearl ISD
Extracurricular Drug Testing Policy
and Acknowledgment



Purpose: Maypearl High School has a concern for the students and the community as a whole. Students using illegal drugs pose a threat to their own health and safety as well as that of other students and the public. We believe that mandatory random drug testing of students in extracurricular activities will assist in deterring drug use, undermining the effects of peer pressure by giving students a reason to refuse the use of illegal drugs, promoting the safety and welfare of students and the community, and encouraging students who use illegal drugs to participate in drug treatment programs.

Findings:

- Drug use by minors has increased nationwide
- Disciplinary referrals regarding drug use have increased
- Students participating in extracurricular activities are role models for other students and are admired by other students
- Students participating in extracurricular activities are seen as representatives and ambassadors of the school district
- The possibility of injury increases for students participating in extracurricular events when illegal drugs are used

Drug Testing: Any high school student who participates in extracurricular activities, including but not limited to UIL, as well as students who hold a campus parking permit, is subject to the random student drug testing program. This includes students who participate in interscholastic academics/athletics, cheerleading, theatre, band, and ag, and any other activity or group that participates in contests, competitions, or community service projects on behalf of or as a representative of the District, such as National Honor Society and Student Council.

Drug Testing Laboratory: Drug testing will be done by a nationally certified drug testing laboratory. The district will contract with a certified drug testing service to conduct all drugs testing under this policy. The laboratory will provide qualified collectors to oversee collection of specimens. The service will provide Medical Review Officer Services for interpretation and verification of results. The Medical Review Officer will report all drug test results to designated school officials. Results will not be provided either orally or in writing to any person who has not been designated by the district to receive results.

The laboratory will follow strict procedures for the chain of custody and access to test results. The laboratory must have a record of 99.94% accuracy for test procedures.



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The district reserves the right to test for substances, including but not limited to: alcohol, amphetamines, barbiturates, benzodiazepines, cannabinoids, cocaine, methadone, methaqualone, nicotine, opiates, phencyclidine, steroids, other illegal or addictive drug and any adulterant.

Procedures: Prior to engaging in any extracurricular activity that is governed by this policy; a parent/guardian of a student must sign a written consent, authorizing drug testing of the student. Students who have reached the age of majority, or their disabilities of minority have been removed; will sign the written consent authorizing drug testing.

Random testing may be conducted at any time. Random testing may be conducted as determined by the superintendent, principal, or athletic director.

For random testing, the names of all eligible students will be placed in a computer generated “pool”. Random selection from that pool will be conducted by the testing service.

When a principal or the athletic director has reason to believe that an eligible student is currently using illegal drugs, a reasonable suspicion exists for drug testing. The principal or Athletic Director may require the student to submit to a drug test.

Testing Results: Results of any drug test will not be given to law enforcement authorities nor be used for any school district discipline, except as related to extracurricular. Access to written drug results will be limited to the following:

1. Parent/guardian
2. Student
3. Principal

Access to verbal notification that a student has tested positive for drug use will be provided to the following:

1. Principal
2. Counselor
3. Athletic Director and/or Activity Sponsor

All information related to the testing of the identification of students as a user of illegal drugs will be protected by the district and its employees, officers and agents as confidential, unless otherwise required by law, overriding public health and safety concerns, or as authorized by the parent/guardian or student. Release of information by a district employee may result in disciplinary action that may include termination of employment. The district will maintain test results for no more than one year.



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Positive Result: If the drug test indicates positive results, the laboratory will immediately forward the results to its Medical Review Officer. An initial positive test shall be confirmed by a second test of the same specimen before being reported as positive. The Medical Review Officer will contact the designated school official to report the positive result. The school official will contact the parent/guardian to determine if prescription medication or other legal substances may have caused the positive result. This information will be provided to the Medical Review Officer who will confirm or refute the results of the test. If a positive test is confirmed, the Medical Review Officer will notify the designated school official. The school official will notify the parent/guardian of a confirmed positive result. If contested sample B may be tested at the parent's expense at a separate testing facility within.

First Offense:

- Parent/Guardian meeting if the student is not married or not an adult.
- Probation/Suspension from all extracurricular activities or sponsored activities and parking on school property for 15 school days.
- The student will be tested during all random tests for the remainder of his/her high school career.
- The Principal, Counselor, Athletic Director, or Activity Sponsor will be notified of a positive test.

Second Offense:

- Parent/Guardian meeting if the student is not married or not an adult.
- Suspension from all extracurricular activities or sponsored activities for 90 school days.
- Verification of attendance at six sessions of Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, or a chemical dependency counselor within a six-week time frame beginning on the date of the parent/guardian meeting. If a chemical dependency counselor is used the sessions will be paid by the parent.
- The student will be tested during all random tests for the remainder of his/her high school career.
- The Principal, Counselor, Athletic Director, or Activity Sponsor will be notified of a positive test.

Third Offense:

- Parent/Guardian meeting if the student is not married or not an adult.
- **REMOVAL FROM EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES or SPONSORED ACTIVITIES FOR A CALENDAR YEAR (187 SCHOOL DAYS). STUDENT REINSTATEMENT WILL BE REVIEWED AT THE END OF THE CALENDAR YEAR. IF STUDENT IS REINSTATED AND FAILS ANOTHER DRUG TEST. STUDENT WILL BE REMOVED FROM EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES THE REST OF HIS' OR HER'S HIGH SCHOOL CAREER.**
- The Principal, Counselor, Athletic Director, or Activity Sponsor will be notified of a positive test.

Refusal: If a student refuses any test as required or authorized by this policy, the student will receive the same consequences as set out for a positive result for each refusal.



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**Student Drug Testing
Authorization - Extracurricular Activities**

Parent Portal Username:

Student Name:

Parent/Guardian Name:

Date:

I acknowledge that I have received a copy of the Maypearl ISD student drug testing policy. I recognize and understand that my son/daughter could be asked to provide a urine sample for drug analysis. I consent to any such testing conducted as part of this policy.

Listed below are the prescription drugs and dosages my son/daughter takes on a regular/permanent basis.

_____	_____
Drug Name	Dosage
_____	_____
Drug Name	Dosage

My son/daughter does not take any prescription medication on a regular/permanent basis.

Student Name:

Student Signature:

Parent/Guardian:

Note: This authorization will be valid during the student's attendance at Maypearl ISD.