

## CODE OF CONDUCT

Fremont County School District #1 recognizes that participation in athletics and co-curricular activities is a "**privilege**", not a "**right**".

Students who volunteer to participate in the Fremont County School District #1 athletic or co-curricular activity programs do so with the understanding that they must observe some regulations that are more restrictive than those relating to the general student community.

This policy applies to students who participate in athletics or co-curricular activities, and is in effect during the entire calendar year. This policy is in addition to the current District Student Discipline and Conduct Policy. Suspensions from activities may or may not prevent a student from taking part in practice sessions. Students who are suspended will not suit up with the team, nor will they be allowed to travel.

The CODE shall apply for those athletic teams, co-curricular activities that require participation on an interscholastic level and/or exceed normal classroom requirements.

### **District Academic Regulations**

#### **Attendance**

Activity participants must be in attendance the entire day of the activity. For an absent student to participate in an activity on the day of the absence, a verified medical excuse must be provided for the absence by the student.

#### **Weekly Academic Eligibility**

Student participants must be currently enrolled and passing five classes with a "C" or better to be academically eligible to compete. Eligibility is determined on a weekly basis. Student's academic eligibility will be restored when deficiencies are corrected.

#### **Semester Academic Eligibility**

*Students must maintain a minimum grade of "C" in at least (5) classes and no more than (1) "F" to travel and or compete/participate. Weekly eligibility checks will be conducted.*

*If an activity participant falls below the 5 "C" and no more than 1 "F" requirement, he/she will receive a B.A.G. sheet (Behavior, Attendance, Grades). This sheet will allow documentation of the class with a below "C" or more than 1 "F" grade. The activity participant must then visit that/those classroom teacher(s) and make arrangements to bring the grade up to the requirement, verified by the classroom teacher's signature. Completion of the B.A.G. sheet must be done before the activity participant can compete in the next scheduled activity or contest.*

*At the end of each semester student must be on track for graduation as defined by the following:*

- End of 9th 1st Semester= 3.0 credits earned*
- End of 9th 2nd Semester= 6.5 credits earned*
- End of 10th 1st Semester=9.5 credits earned*
- End of 10 2nd Semester= 12.5 credits earned*
- End of 11th 1st Semester 15.5 credits earned*
- End of 11th 2nd Semester 18 credits earned*
- End of 12th 1st Semester 21.5 credits earned*

*If student is not on track for graduation he/she will remain ineligible until such time that their transcript reflects a minimum of the above credit requirements.*

### **WHSAA Academic Eligibility**

Student participants must have passed FIVE solid subjects during the immediate preceding semester to be academically eligible to participate. Students who do not pass FIVE solid subjects will be ineligible for one semester. Credit recovery (Tiger-Net, summer school) is an option to regain eligibility. Documentation is required for this process.

### **District Conduct Regulations**

Students who volunteer to participate on any athletic team or co-curricular activity will not use, possess, transfer, or disperse any tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, or controlled substances (drugs). Students will not confiscate (steal), destroy or vandalize private or public property. This will include, but not limited to, theft, shoplifting, breaking and entering, vandalism, and behaviors that would diminish the integrity of the community, school, team or individual.

Failure to cooperate with the administration in an investigation may result in suspension from an activity until the investigation is resolved.

Students covered by the CODE OF CONDUCT who violate Municipal, State or Federal codes (excluding minor traffic violations) are subject to the consequences.

It is understood that local law enforcement will be notified whenever school personnel confiscate alcohol products, controlled substances, tobacco products, or suspended stolen merchandise. The penalty administered by the Justice System may be different, and in addition to the School Board Policies.

### **Party Rule**

Participants are expected to avoid situations/gatherings where illegal substances (alcohol/drugs/tobacco) are being used by underage youth. Participants are expected to take actions to avoid situations where illegal substances are present. Actions should include inquiring about the situation/gathering prior to attending, and taking action to leave the situation/gathering if illegal substances are present. Failure to take appropriate steps to avoid these types of situations+ will result in a code violation.

### **Suspensions**

- ✓ **CODE violations are accumulative for your high school career.**
- ✓ **Suspensions will carry over from season to season and year to year.**
- ✓ **Two violations in a single sport season will result in the student being dismissed from the team.**

### **First Offense**

Option 1: ***Suspended from 30% of regular season competition according to the suspension penalties.*** The student must complete a drug and alcohol screening at the student/parent expense. The student must verify completion of the screening and that he/she is following the counselor's recommendations before competition status is restored.

Option 2: ***Suspended from competition for doubled the first offense.***

Option 3: ***Option 1 and Court supervised treatment.***

## Second Offense

Option 1: **Suspended from competition in all activities covered by the CODE for 60% of regular season contests.** The student must complete a professionally administered drug/alcohol evaluation at the student's/parent's expense. The student must verify completion of the evaluation and that he/she is following the counselor's recommendations before competition status is restored.

Option 2: **Suspended from all activities for one year, ending on the date of infraction.**

Option 3: **Option 1 Court supervised treatment.**

## Third Offense

**Student suspended from participation and competition in all activities covered by the CODE for one year from the date of the infraction.**

- ❖ The **suspension penalty** for co-curricular activities shall be based on the total number of interscholastic competitions and in line with the suspension penalties.

FIRST OFFENSE:	30% of regular season competition
SECOND OFFENSE:	60% of regular season competition
THIRD OFFENSE:	Suspended for 1 (one) year

The following represents the number of regular season contests allowed by WYOMING HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION:

- Football – 8
- Golf – 6
- Nordic Ski – 6
- Track – 8
- Volleyball – 18
- Basketball – 20
- \*Wrestling – 15 (\* Wrestling is measured by the number of weigh-ins a competitor has.)
- Speech – 14
- Cross Country – 8
- Swimming – 16
- Soccer – 14
- Cheerleading = to sport they represent

- ❖ Co-curricular activities without interscholastic competitions will have consequences at the discretion of the Building Principal or his/her designee.



## CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY ADMINISTRATION

Additional rules may be established by coaches/sponsors to this policy, but must have the written approval of the Building Athletic Director and Principal. Participants and parents must be fully informed of all rules in writing prior to the start of the activity.

It is mandatory for all coaches and sponsors of co-curricular activities to schedule a meeting with the students and their parent(s) or guardian at which time the CODE OF CONDUCT will be explained to the students and their parent(s) or guardian.

Co-curricular activities do not exist without the dedication of individuals partnering with others to learn, practice and perform. Individual skill and dedication is important. Each student is effected by and can affect the performance of the team – together the team suffers or succeeds. Students are expected to teach, encourage and support teammates in ways that contribute to the success of individuals and the goals of the team.

Students volunteering to participate in the Fremont County School District #1 co-curricular programs commit to assist teammates, to the best of their abilities, in keeping with the agreements contained in this contract.

Students who violate the CODE will:

- 1) Acknowledge to coach and teammates the nature and extent of the violation;
- 2) Outline the actions he or she is taking to correct the violation;
- 3) Make a statement or re-commitment to following the CODE and working toward the success of the team, coach and self.

I (We) have read, discussed among ourselves and accept the terms and conditions of this document, and acknowledge and agree that it shall be effective upon each of us.

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Student Signature

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Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

