DEARBORN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
STUDENT-ATHLETE CODE OF CONDUCT CONTRACT

The student-athlete code of conduct contract must be signed by all student-athletes at the beginning of the first season of participation in extra-curricular activities. The contract is in effect for the entire school year for all athletic activities. Because not every conceivable incident can be covered by any contract, based on specific circumstances, the school administration reserves the right to determine appropriate consequences. As per long standing DPS policy, a school administrator may impose athletic consequences for poor citizenship inside and outside the school environment.

Alcohol, Tobacco, Illegal Drug & Performance Enhancing Drug Use

First Offense:

1. The student is suspended for 20% of total **scheduled** contests. Any fractions of games are rounded up to the nearest whole number.
2. The period of suspension from school supersedes the 20% game suspension. For example, if a student is suspended from school for 5 days, the student may miss more games than required by the code of conduct contract.
3. If a student **self-reports** to his/her school administrator (within 72 hours) an incident that occurred **off school grounds** and not at any school-sponsored activity, the student is suspended for only 10% of all scheduled contests. This only applies to the first offense. **No incident that occurs on schools grounds or at school-sponsored activities is eligible for a reduction of consequences whether it was self-reported or not.**
4. Suspensions must be served at the highest level of competition for that athlete as determined by the athletic director. The athlete may not compete at **any level** until the suspensions have been served. For example, a player who plays JV and Varsity must serve his/her suspensions at the varsity level before regaining eligibility.
5. Game suspensions not fulfilled during the season in which the incident occurred **are** carried over into the next athletic season the athlete competes in (in the same school year). Administrator will determine suspension carry-over from season to season.
6. Game suspensions not fulfilled during the school year in which the incident occurred **are** carried over into the following school year **for the first offense**. Consistent with DPS School Board Policy, incidents of alcohol, tobacco, drug or performance enhancing drug use **are** carried over for **3 calendar years** For example, a student violates the code of conduct in the spring season, following the completion of that season he/she will be suspended for any games during the fall season (if he/she competes). Another incident (within 3 calendar years) will be considered the second for purposes of determining consequences.
7. DPS will honor any disciplinary consequences imposed by a previous school district before a transfer student becomes eligible to compete at any level in any athletic activity for any DPS school.

Second Offense Within 3 Calendar Years:

1. The student is suspended for 50% of the total scheduled contests. Any fractions of contests are rounded up to the nearest number.
2. Revert back to Steps 4, 5, 6 in First Offense

Third Offense Within 3 Calendar Years:

1. Student is suspended from participation in **all** athletic activities for one calendar year.
2. The athlete may petition the athletic director for re-admittance to the athletic program after a period of four (4) months, if the athlete participates (at his/her own expense) in a pre-approved (by school administrator) rehabilitation or treatment program. The rehabilitation or treatment center must provide a written recommendation for re-admittance before the petition can be considered.

Reminders:

1. A school suspension may produce more than 20% of missed games.
2. Incidents carry over from season to season.
3. Incidents carry over from year to year for 3 calendar years.
4. Students may not transfer between schools to avoid penalties.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I, _____, desire to be a participant in the interscholastic athletic program representing DPS. My signature acknowledges that I have read and understand this contract and agree to comply with it. I have viewed the presentation on alcohol, tobacco, drugs and performance enhancing drugs and agree with all items contained within that program. I hereby authorize transportation to and from scheduled events on school vehicles or private vehicles in accordance with the School District Policy and Regulation for Field or Other District Sponsored Trips (Policy Numbers 8640 & 8660)

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Student Name (printed)	Date	Parent Name (printed)	Date
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Student Signature	Date	Parent Signature	Date