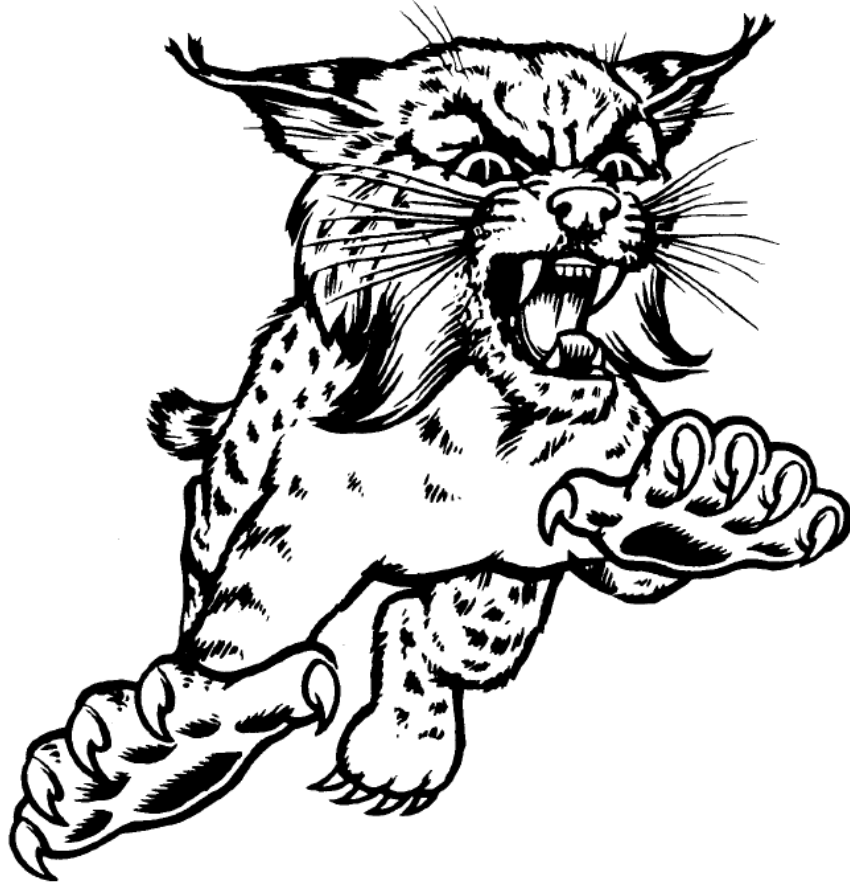


Edgar School District



Athletic & Co-Curricular Code

Athletic Code

A. General Rules of Eligibility

1. The School District of Edgar will uniformly apply this athletic code to participants of all school sponsored athletics in grades 6-12.
 - a. The athlete must meet the rules of eligibility set by the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA) and any additional Edgar School District Rules.
 - b. The athlete must follow district online registration in order to be eligible.
2. Athletes who wish to compete in multiple sports during the same season, must meet with the athletic director and coaches to coordinate the guidelines.
3. Continued participation in interscholastic athletics shall be at the discretion of the school's administrators.

Co-Curricular Code

A. The District will uniformly apply this co-curricular code to participants of any non-credit, school sponsored activity in grades five – 12 (e.g., athletics, drama, forensics, clubs). The co-curricular activities covered by these eligibility requirements include:

1. Yearbook Staff
 2. Art Club
 3. Spanish Club
 4. Letter Club
 5. Class Officers
 6. Fall Play
 7. Drama
 8. Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)
 9. Future Farmers of America (FFA)
 10. Future Consumer and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA)
 11. Forensics
 12. Music (if no credit, nongraded)
 13. Student Council
 14. Prom Court
 15. Homecoming Court
- A student becomes a co-curricular participant upon completion of his/her first meeting, rehearsal or practice.
 - Each advisor/director shall specify beginning and ending dates for their particular "season" based on the first meeting, rehearsal, practice, or selection of team/cast through the last opportunity for competition or performance.
 - A copy of this co-curricular code, signed by both the student and parent/guardian, must be on file prior to participation, including practices. A commitment to this code will become effective when the student first signs it and remain in effect throughout the student's 6th grade through 12th grades. Advisors/directors will review this policy with students at the beginning of each co-curricular "season".
 - At the beginning of each year the principal, guidance counselor, or athletic director will conduct an informational meeting/video for parents/guardians regarding the co-curricular code. It is recommended that students and parents/guardians read and understand the code annually prior to participation.

B. Academics

1. In order to be academically eligible, a student must have no failing grades at the time of quarterly progress reports and end of quarter grades. Progress reports will be run and final on the 5th Wednesday of each quarter. Any student not maintaining this level of academic performance will adhere to the following:
 - a. If a student is failing one or more courses at the time of mid quarter progress reports, the student will become immediately ineligible until the failing grade has been restored to passing status.
 - b. If a student is failing one or more courses at the conclusion of the quarter, the student will be immediately ineligible for a minimum of fifteen (15) school days from when the grading window closes. After the fifteen (15) day ineligibility period has expired, eligibility may be restored provided passing work is achieved in all current classes. Eligibility for activities that begin on or

before the first (1st) quarter of the academic year shall be based on the previous fourth (4th) quarter grades.

- c. Students who earn an incomplete will be ineligible until the incomplete work is completed and the grade is determined to be passing. If an incomplete is converted to a failing grade, the 15 days will continue to be counted from the end of the quarter grades being posted.
- d. After the fifteenth (15th) day, the student athlete may regain eligibility when a grade report is run by the Athletic Director and the student is passing all courses.
- e. For fall activities, the period of ineligibility is twenty-one (21) calendar days beginning on the first day of allowed competition.
- f. While academically ineligible, the student will be required to participate in all practices and attend all contests as an active member of the team for the ineligibility period to be fulfilled. (Coaches shall be a part of the discussion concerning participation)

C. Attendance

1. A student athlete/co-curricular participant should be in school for a full day to be able to participate in the contest on that day. A student athlete/co-curricular participant may still participate if excused for one of the following.
 - a. Excused absences not to exceed one-half of the students scheduled classes.
 - b. Family emergencies (such as funerals) approved by athletic director.
 - c. Administrative approval.

ATHLETES

D. Conduct Rules for Athletes

The following conduct rules will be in effect on a year round basis.

1. An athlete shall not:
 - a. Buy, sell, use or possess illegal drugs, controlled substances, street drugs, or performance enhancing substances.
 - b. Buy, sell, use or possess tobacco products.
 - c. Buy, sell, use or possess alcohol products.
2. Penalties for Violation of Substance Abuse Rules for Athletes:
 - a. The penalty for violating this athletic code shall be based on the maximum number of contests per sporting season as stipulated in the WIAA handbook. The suspension for seasons that have twelve (12) or fewer contests is different than for seasons that have thirteen (13) or more contests.
 - b. A participant may have his/her suspension reduced if he/she seeks a minimum of two (2) counseling sessions and completes ten (10) hours of community service. Counseling must be done with an accredited program. The program must be completed within a specific time, as determined by the counselor. Community service must be approved by the athletic director. Community service hours must be completed before eligibility is restored.
 - c. If you are questioned regarding any conduct covered within these expectations and/or the Code, you are expected to be completely truthful. In the event that your answer is later found to be untrue or dishonest, you will be immediately subject to the next applicable level of consequence.
 - d. Suspension for a substance abuse rule violation shall consist of no less than one day of competition.
 - e. If the athlete is suspended for one or more WIAA tournament competitions, the minimum penalty is immediate disqualification of the athlete for the remainder of the total tournament series in that sport.
 - f. Suspension may carry into the next season the student participates in.

- g. Any photo or video submitted to administration, must be from within one calendar year to be valid proof of a substance abuse violation.
3. **Personal Conduct Violations for Athletes:**
A student athlete must sit out a minimum of one contest for the following behaviors including, but not limited to:
- Social Media Misconduct
 - Vandalism
 - Fighting on School Grounds
 - Criminal Activity
 - Disrespect to administration, faculty and staff of the school district
 - Academic Dishonesty
 - Unexcused Absence
 - Being present at activities at which controlled substances are being used or alcoholic beverages are being unlawfully consumed
4. **Other Consequences for Athletes:**
- A student athlete who is suspended for a code violation will be ineligible to be nominated for school, conference, district, regional, and/or state awards and honors for the sport during which the suspension was served.
 - If a student athlete initiates a “NEW” sport for the purpose of satisfying the suspension and does not complete that sport season, the suspension will not be considered fulfilled and will carry over to the sport season.
 - A student athlete who is suspended for a code violation and is competing in multiple sports during a single season, must serve the suspension in their “primary” sport. The athlete will be ineligible to participate in both sports, until the suspension is fulfilled.

Penalties for Violation of Substance Abuse Rules for Athletes

TERM OF SUSPENSION WITH COMPLETED COUNSELING & COMMUNITY SERVICE

Offense	12 or Fewer Contests	13 of More Contests
First Offense	1 Contest	2 Contests
Second Offense	4 Contests	8 Contests
Third Offense	1 Calendar Year	1 Calendar Year
Fourth Offense	1 Calendar Year	1 Calendar Year

TERM OF SUSPENSION WITHOUT COUNSELING & COMMUNITY SERVICE

Offense	12 or Fewer Contests	13 or More Contests
First Offense	2 Contests	4 Contests
Second Offense	8 Contests	16 Contests
Third Offense	Career	Career
Fourth Offense	Career	Career

CO-CURRICULAR

E. Conduct Rules for Co-Curricular:

The following conduct rules will be in effect on a year round basis.

1. A participant shall not:
 - a. Buy, sell, use or possess illegal drugs, controlled substances, street drugs, or performance enhancing substances.
 - b. Buy, sell, use or possess tobacco products.
 - c. Buy, sell, use or possess alcohol products.

2. Penalties for Violation of Substance Abuse Rules for Co-Curricular Participants:
 - a. Suspension for a substance abuse rule violation shall consist of no less than one event.
 - b. A participant may have his/her suspension reduced if he/she seeks a minimum of two (2) counseling sessions and completes ten (10) hours of community service. Counseling must be done with an accredited program. The program must be completed within a specific time, as determined by the counselor. Community service must be approved by the athletic director. Community service hours must be completed before eligibility is restored.
 - c. If you are questioned regarding any conduct covered within these expectations and/or the Code, you are expected to be completely truthful. In the event that your answer is later found to be untrue or dishonest, you will be immediately subject to the next applicable level of consequence.
 - d. Suspension may carry into the next co-curricular activity the student participates in.
 - e. Any photo or video submitted to administration, must be from within one calendar year to be valid proof of a substance abuse violation.

3. Personal Conduct Violations Co-Curricular Participants:

A student participant must sit out a minimum of one contest for the following behaviors including, but not limited to:

 - a. Social Media Misconduct
 - b. Vandalism
 - c. Fighting on School Grounds
 - d. Criminal Activity
 - e. Disrespect to administration, faculty and staff of the school district
 - f. Academic Dishonesty
 - g. Unexcused Absence
 - h. Being present at activities at which controlled substances are being used or alcoholic beverages are being unlawfully consumed

4. Other Consequences Co-Curricular Participants:
 - a. A student who is suspended for a code violation will be ineligible to be nominated for school, conference, district, regional, and/or state awards and honors for the sport during which the suspension was served.

Penalties for Violation of Substance Abuse Rules for Co-Curriculars

TERM OF SUSPENSION WITH COMPLETED COUNSELING & COMMUNITY SERVICE

Offense	Single Event Co-Curriculars	Annual Membership Co Curriculars
First Offense	1 Event/Contests	2 Events/Contests
Second Offense	1 Event/Contest	4 Events/Contests
Third Offense	1 Event/Contest	8 Events/Contests
Fourth Offense	1 Event/Contest	1 Calendar Year

TERM OF SUSPENSION WITHOUT COUNSELING & COMMUNITY SERVICE

Offense	Single Event Co-Curriculars	Annual Membership Co Curriculars
First Offense	1 Event/Contests	4 Events/Contests
Second Offense	1 Event/Contest	8 Events/Contests
Third Offense	1 Event/Contest	16 Events/Contests
Fourth Offense	1 Event/Contest	1 Calendar Year

Appeal Process

If a student denies violating the athletic/co-curricular code, he/she shall be given an opportunity to be heard. The student will be ineligible during the appeal process. An appeal of suspension may occur in the event that an athlete feels a wrong decision has been made. The "Appeal Process" outlined below is the procedure for a participant and/or his/her parent/guardian to follow in appealing decisions related to suspension.

1. An initial appeal must be made within seven (7) calendar days from the notification of suspension. This request must be made, in writing, and be submitted to the Athletic Director.
2. A hearing will be conducted by the Athletic Director within fourteen (14) calendar days from the notification of suspension. Present at the hearing in addition to the Athletic Director shall be the High School Principal, the coach, two faculty members, the athlete, and his/her parent/guardian. The athlete shall be provided with an opportunity to testify and present other evidence on his/her behalf.
3. If the student and his/her parent/guardian are not satisfied with the findings of this committee, an appeal may be made, in writing, to the District Administrator.
4. If not satisfied with the appeal to the District Administrator, an appeal may be made to the Board of Education. The Athletic Director must receive, in writing, a request for such a hearing. This shall be the final step in the appeal process.