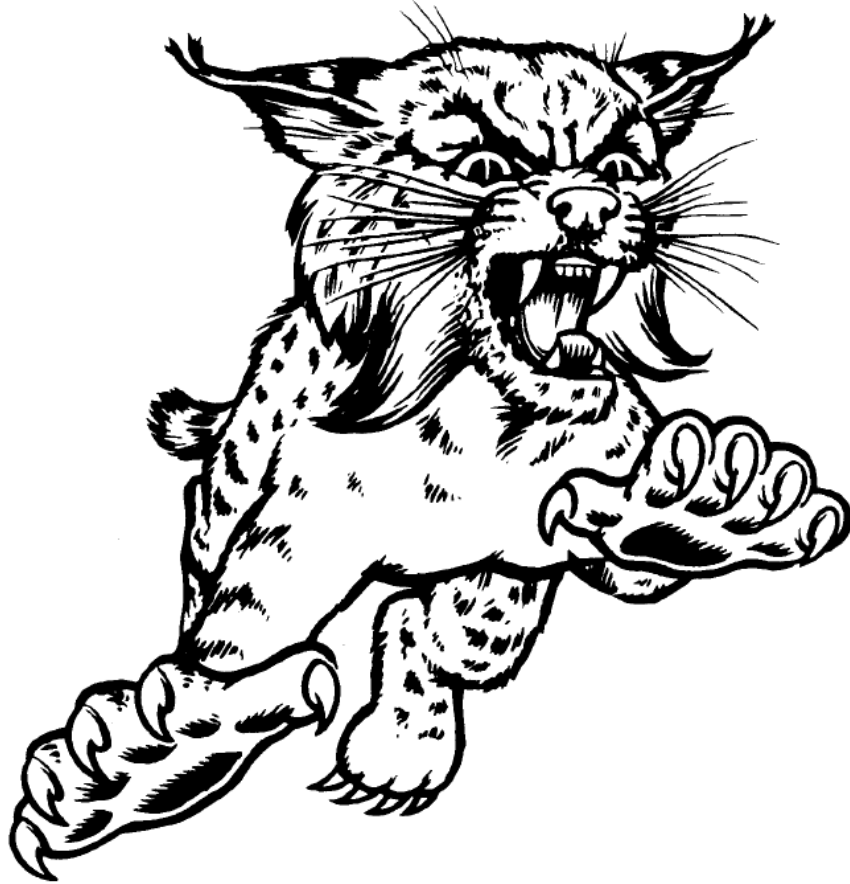


Edgar School District



Athletic & Co-Curricular Code

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ATHLETIC AND CO-CURRICULAR CODE

The School District of Edgar will uniformly apply this athletic and co-curricular code to participants of all school sponsored athletics/clubs/events in grades 6-12.

A. General Rules of Eligibility

1. A student becomes an athletic and/or co-curricular participant upon completion of his/her first meeting, rehearsal, or practice.
2. 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.
3. 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".

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 are submitted. Progress reports will be run and final at the end of the school day 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 may regain eligibility when a grade report is run by the Athletic Director and the student is passing all courses. When an activity begins after the grading period (progress report or end of quarter) has ended the 15 day ineligibility will begin the day the activity begins.
 - e. After the fifteenth (15th) day, if the student still has failing grade(s) they will remain ineligible until the next grading period (progress report or end of quarter) is complete.
 - f. For fall activities, the period of ineligibility is twenty-one (21) calendar days beginning on the first day of allowed competition.
 - g. While academically ineligible, the student will be required to participate in all practices and attend all contests as an active member (not in uniform) of the team for the ineligibility period to be fulfilled. (Coaches/advisors 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 the athletic director.
 - c. Administrative approval.

D. If a student is participating in athletics and co-curricular activities simultaneously and he/she violates the code of conduct, penalties will be imposed for their next athletic event and co-curricular activity.

ATHLETES

The athletic activities covered by these eligibility requirements include:

1. Football
 2. Girls and Boys Cross Country
 3. Volleyball
 4. Girls and Boys Basketball
 5. Girls and Boys Wrestling
 6. Girls and Boys Hockey
 7. Softball
 8. Baseball
 9. Girls and Boys Track
- The athlete must meet the rules of eligibility set by the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA) and any additional Edgar School District Rules.
 - The athlete must follow district online registration in order to be eligible.
 - Athletes who wish to compete in multiple sports during the same season, must meet with the athletic director, coaches and their parents to coordinate the guidelines at least one month prior to the beginning of the first day of practice for the sport that begins first. In order to compete in multiple sports during the same season, the following stipulations must be met in accordance with Edgar High School Policy:
 1. The process must be initiated by a scheduled conference with the athletic director.
 2. The athlete must declare which sport is primary and secondary for participation purposes.
 3. Practice and Game/Meet requirements must be established prior to the sport season. Contests take precedence over practice and the primary sport contests take precedence over secondary sport contests. This should be detailed in writing, after a conference between the athlete, the athletic director, and the two coaches involved.
 - Continued participation in interscholastic athletics shall be at the discretion of the school's administrators.

D. Conduct Rules for Athletes

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

1. Substance Abuse:
 - a. It shall be a violation of this code for any student of the District to possess, use, consume, display, promote, or sell any tobacco products, tobacco industry brand, tobacco-related devices, imitation tobacco products, or electronic smoking or vaping devices, regardless of content, including smoking as defined in this policy, at any time on school property or at off-campus, school-sponsored events.
2. Penalties for Violation of Substance Abuse Rules for Athletes:
 - a. The penalty for violating this athletic code shall be a suspension from competition 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 or school counselor. 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:

 - a. Social Media Misconduct
 - b. Vandalism
 - c. Fighting on School Grounds
 - d. Criminal Activity
 - e. Disrespect to administration, faculty, staff and other students
 - f. Academic Dishonesty
 - g. Unexcused Absence
 - h. Harassment/Bullying
 - i. Inappropriate Behavior on or off campus
 - j. Being present at activities at which controlled substances are being used or alcoholic beverages are being unlawfully consumed

*Progressive discipline will be implemented, and additional disciplinary actions will be considered by the Athletic Director and Principal as necessary and dependent upon the severity of the violation.

4. Other Consequences for Athletes:

- a. 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.
- b. 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 next sport season.
- c. 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.
- d. Any in-school or out of school suspension will result in a code violation.
- e. A major (5 minors) will result in a code violation.

Penalties for Violation of Substance Abuse

TERM OF SUSPENSION WITH COMPLETED COUNSELING & COMMUNITY SERVICE

Offense	12 or Fewer Contests	13 or 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

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. ETC
7. Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)
8. Future Farmers of America (FFA)
9. Future Consumer and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA)
10. Forensics
11. Music (if no credit, nongraded)
12. Student Council
13. Prom Court
14. Homecoming Court
15. Chess Team

E. Conduct Rules for Co-Curricular:

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

1. Substance Abuse:
 - a. It shall be a violation of this code for any student of the District to possess, use, consume, display, promote, or sell any tobacco products, tobacco industry brand, tobacco-related devices, imitation tobacco products, or electronic smoking or vaping devices, regardless of content, including smoking as defined in this policy, at any time on school property or at off-campus, school-sponsored events.
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 or school counselor. 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 for Co-Curricular Participants:

A student participant must sit out a minimum of one contest/event* 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, staff and other students
 - f. Academic Dishonesty

- g. Unexcused Absence
- h. Harassment/Bullying
- i. Inappropriate Behavior on or off campus
- j. Being present at activities at which controlled substances are being used or alcoholic beverages are being unlawfully consumed

*Progressive discipline will be implemented, and additional disciplinary actions will be considered by the Athletic Director and Principal as necessary and dependent upon the severity of the violation.

4. Other Consequences Co-Curricular Participants:

- a. A student who is suspended for a code violation will be ineligible to hold an officer position, be nominated for school, conference, district, regional, and/or state awards and honors for the activity during which the suspension was served.
- b. If a student initiates a "NEW" co-curricular for the purpose of satisfying the suspension and does not complete that co-curricular season, the suspension will not be considered fulfilled and will carry over to the next co-curricular season.
- c. Any in-school or out of school suspension will result in a code violation.
- d. A major (5 minors) will result in a code violation.
- e. If a student is a participant in multiple co-curricular and athletic programs, the suspension will occur with the nearest upcoming event

Penalties for Violation of Substance Abuse

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	Career	Career
Fourth Offense	Career	Career

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 a suspension.

1. An initial appeal must be made within seven (7) school 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) school 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 student 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.

Nondiscrimination On The Basis Of Sex In Education Programs Or Activities

The Board does not discriminate on the basis of sex (including sexual orientation or gender identity), in its education programs or activities, and is required by Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972, and its implementing regulations, not to discriminate in such a manner. The requirement not to discriminate in its education program or activity extends to admission and employment. The Board is committed to maintaining an education and work environment that is free from discrimination based on sex, including sexual harassment.

The Board prohibits sexual harassment that occurs within its education programs and activities. When the District has actual knowledge of sexual harassment in its education program or activity against a person in the United States, it shall promptly respond in a manner that is not deliberately indifferent.

Pursuant to its Title IX obligations, the Board is committed to eliminating sexual harassment and will take appropriate action when an individual is determined responsible for violating this policy. Members of the School District community who commit Sexual Harassment are subject to the full range of disciplinary sanctions set forth in this policy. Third Parties who engage in sexual harassment are also subject to the disciplinary sanctions listed in this policy. The Board will provide persons who have experienced Sexual Harassment ongoing supportive measures as reasonably necessary to restore or preserve access to the District's education programs and activities.

Complaints alleging sexual harassment and/or discrimination on the basis of sex are also covered by and subject to the investigation procedures in Board Policy 5517 - Student Anti-Harassment. Complaints not covered by this policy may still be governed by and subject to the procedures in Policy 5517 - Student Anti-Harassment. (Board Policy 2266) 34 C.F.R. Part 106

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