



2022– 2023 CODE of CONDUCT for MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETICS and ACTIVITIES
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Student participation in athletics and activity programs are governed by the regulations developed and by Cheldelin Middle School, Linus Pauling Middle School, and the Corvallis School District. The code of conduct is in effect for the entire school year to include fall athletic and activity program practice in August and any school-sponsored events, regardless of the time of year.

1. ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Student Athletes are expected to maintain passing grades in all classes. Four weeks into school, grades will be used to determine academic status for the fall sport season. Previous quarter grades will be used to establish academic standing for winter and spring sports. If a student is failing more than one class they will be put on Academic Probation until their grades are passing.

- A. Students placed on Academic Probation may practice and play in scheduled games, matches, or events.
- B. During the Academic Probation period, students are required to submit a Weekly Grade Check Form to the head coach at the end of each week. Forms may be obtained from the head coach. Failure to do so will result in suspension from games, matches, or events for the following week.
- C. Students on Academic Probation are required to develop a plan of action, with help from the head coach (and/or teachers) that will allow them to meet or exceed the CSD academic standards.
- D. Students who do not comply with Academic Probation expectations or their academic performance declines may be prohibited from participating in Athletics.

2. CHARACTER EXPECTATIONS

Being involved in Corvallis School District Athletics and Activity Programs is a privilege. As a member of a school team, your behavior on campus, in the community, and at other schools, reflects not only on yourself but your program and the school as well. To maintain this privilege, students must be in regular school attendance, maintain their academic eligibility, obey the training rules, and follow all school and District policies and rules. Failure to follow these guidelines may result in athletic or activity program probation, temporary suspension or removal from the program. Criminal acts, violence, and intimidation or discrimination, whether at school, in the community or online will not be tolerated and may be cause for immediate suspension from the program. A student who is found to be the individual causing harm in a Racial Bias Incident will be suspended for 3 weeks from competition and practice.

3. ATTENDANCE EXPECTATIONS

Any student participating in District Athletics and Activity Programs shall be expected to attend and participate in all classes on the day of a scheduled game, match or event. All absences should be excused by school or parent/guardian. Failure to comply with these attendance regulations may result in a student being declared ineligible and not allowed to participate in the next scheduled activity. If a student misses a period in the day without an excuse, consequences will be as follows

- 1. **First offense** – Meeting with the Head Coach
- 2. **Second offense** – Student ineligible for (1) practice, game, match or event
- 3. **Third offense and beyond** – Student ineligible for (1) additional practice, game, match or event

Exceptions to this rule may be made by the Building Administrator or Athletic Director.

4. TRAINING RULES

The following rules have been established for students who plan to participate in, and represent Corvallis School District Athletics and Activity Programs. These rules are in effect from the first day a student begins participation in a school athletic or activity program throughout the remainder of the school year. These rules are in effect 24 hours a day for the entire school year.

- A. Any student involved in an athletic or activity program shall not knowingly possess, use, transmit, or be under the influence of alcohol, tobacco (including vaping), performance enhancing drugs, or controlled substances of any kind during a school year.
- B. Any student who finds themselves in the company of persons who illegally possess, use, transmit, or are under the influence of alcohol, performance enhancing drugs, or controlled substance (i.e., frequenting of areas, places, or sites where drugs and/or alcohol are present), is expected to leave within a reasonable period of time. Failure to do so will result in discipline as if they were in violation of this rule.
- C. Prior to being investigated or apprehended for an offense involving the use of alcohol, tobacco of any kind (including vape), performance enhancing drugs, or a controlled substance, a student may voluntarily request assistance from school officials. In this event, there may be no disciplinary consequences imposed upon the student provided that: 1. The student meets with an appropriate specialist or counselor and follows their recommendations; and 2. There are no subsequent incidents of either alcohol, all forms of tobacco, performance enhancing drugs, or controlled substance use.
- D. Due process shall be given to all students with regard to the administration of the training rules. Any appeals of offense consequences shall be made in writing to the Building Administrator.

If it is determined that a student has violated the training rules above, the student will face the following consequences in addition to normal school disciplinary procedures:

- 1. First offense:** Twenty-one day suspension from participation in interscholastic athletic or activity program competition and 10 hours of community service. The student must attend all practice sessions for the entire season(s). The successful completion of the consequences will be evaluated and approved by the Athletic Director. For example, if a fall athlete started serving the three weeks of “no competition” for a first offense during the last week of the fall season, the remaining two weeks of “no competition” would carry over to the next sport in which the athlete participates.
- 2. Second offense:** Forty-two day suspension from participation in interscholastic athletic or activity program competition and 20 hours of community service. The student must attend all practice sessions for the entire season(s), mandatory meeting(s) with a substance abuse counselor or other appropriate specialist, and show a demonstrated willingness to follow their recommendations. Reinstatement of the student in the athletic or activity program is contingent upon the student complying with written recommendations made by the substance abuse counselor or other appropriate professional person and their approval for reinstatement. The student will be required to comply with the recommendations following the second offense or they will be disciplined as though a third offense has been committed. The successful completion of the consequences will be evaluated and approved by the Athletic Director.
- 3. Third offense:** Full suspension from all athletic and activity programs for the remainder of the school year.

The Corvallis School District does not discriminate on the basis of age, citizenship, color, disability, gender expression, gender identity, national origin, parental or marital status, race, religion, sex, or sexual orientation in its programs and activities, and provides equal access to designated youth groups. The following persons have been designated to handle inquiries regarding discrimination:

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