

**DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM  
CODE OF CONDUCT CONTRACT/VIOLATIONS/CONSEQUENCES  
FOR ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION**

Participation in athletic activities is a privilege in schools and not a property right. It is understood by all students, parents, and coaches that the top priority is academic progress. Everyone involved in these activities will make every effort not to interfere with that ultimate goal. The purpose of the Code of Conduct is to establish a minimum standard of behavior. Therefore, **coaches may establish rules and consequences that are more severe than the stated code**. Team rules must be in writing and approved by the administration of each school.

**CODE OF CONDUCT VIOLATIONS/CONSEQUENCES**

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| A.  | VIOLATION-<br>CONSEQUENCES- | Assigned to Alternative School/Long Term suspension<br>Dismissed from Athletics for one calendar year with the right to appeal to the local school review committee upon return to school.   |
| B.  | VIOLATION-<br>CONSEQUENCES  | Arrest for Felony: (Regardless of location or time of the alleged act; in- or out-of- school.)<br>1. The student will be immediately suspended from all participation until the investigation is completed.<br>2. Upon conviction the student will be suspended for a minimum of one calendar year.  |
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| For Violations C, D, E, and F, a school administrator must have valid evidence and/or written admission to the violation by the student/athlete. If this offense occurs on school property, the student will be subject to the actions of the Douglas County School System Discipline Code. |                             |  |
| C.  | VIOLATION-<br>CONSEQUENCES- | Alcohol/Drugs or any Misdemeanor (Non-Felony) - (off/on Campus) (in/out of season)<br>The coach will meet with the student and parents.<br>1 <sup>st</sup> Offense- four (4) week suspension from any athletic activity. (20 school days)<br>* If not in season, it will be the next sport the student participates in after making the team.<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Offense- one (1) year suspension from all athletic activities with the right to appeal to the local review committee.   |
| D.  | VIOLATION-<br>CONSEQUENCES- | Tobacco (any type)-In season<br>1 <sup>ST</sup> Offense- Minimum of one (1) game suspension.<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Offense- Dismissed from the team but allowed to try out for subsequent athletic activities after that sport has completed its season.<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Offense- One (1) year suspension fro all athletic activities with the right to appeal to the local school review committee.   |
| E.  | VIOLATION-<br>CONSEQUENCES- | Violations of High School rules will result in: (In season)*<br>Student/Athletes may resume participation when:<br>(1) All assignments are completed and released from ISS and/or<br>(2) The student returns to school on the next school day upon completion of Out-of-School Suspension<br>1 <sup>st</sup> Offense- ISS/Out-of-School Suspension (Short Term)<br>Minimum of one (1) game suspension.<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Offense- Minimum of two (2) game suspensions.<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Offense- Dismissed from team but allowed to try out for subsequent athletic activities after that sport has completed its season.<br>4 <sup>th</sup> Offense- One (1) year suspension from all athletic activities with the right to appeal to the local school review committee. |
| F.  | VIOLATION-<br>CONSEQUENCES- | Middle School-Violations of Douglas County school rules will be dealt with according to Policy JDD-R/JDE-R<br>During the time students are assigned to In-School Suspension or suspended out-of-school they will not be allowed to participate in extra-curricular activities or assemblies.   |

NOTE: The review committee should be made up of: a) Douglas County Director of Athletics, b) Douglas County Director of General Administration, c) Douglas County Director of High or Middle School.

APPEAL PROCEDURE: Any student wishing to appeal an athletic suspension must submit in writing to the County Athletic Director the reason(s) why their rule infraction(s) should not be disciplined as outlined. This request will then be forwarded to the members of the review committee for their consideration. Parents will be given a written statement on the decision of the committee.

Student's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_