

LINCOLN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

CODE OF ETHICS FOR STUDENT ACTIVITIES

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A. INTRODUCTION

I understand that it is a privilege to participate in co-curricular activities during my attendance at a Lincoln County School District middle school or high school. I agree to obey the following regulations set up by the Oregon School Activities Association and LCSD policy. I understand that I am responsible for following the Code of Ethics for Students Participating in School Activities at all times, and am subject to the penalties outlined in the Code of Ethics, whether or not I am currently participating in activities or athletics. This includes off-season and all vacation times.

B. ELIGIBILITY

Students must meet the minimum standard for academic eligibility as set by the OSAA and meet all requirements of their attending school. Please see individual school requirements posted on each school's website and contact the school's athletic department with any questions.

If the team coach has additional team rules, the rules shall be printed, approved by the athletic director, building principal, and the Student Services Administrator or designee prior to the start of the season, and then signed off by the participant prior to the student practicing or competing.

If the building principal believes an ineligible student is demonstrating diligence and effort in their classes he/she may request the Student Services Administrator or designee to waive their eligibility requirements.

None of the eligibility requirements supersede any reference or requirements for eligibility spelled out in a student's Individual Education Plan.

C. PHYSICALS

I understand that students must have a physical examination performed by a physician, licensed by the Oregon State Board of Medical Examiners, or a nurse practitioner, licensed by the Oregon State Board of Nursing, prior to practice and competition in athletics. A completed physical form provided by LCSD shall be signed by a physician or nurse practitioner before the student can participate in practices or contests.

D. INSURANCE

I understand that students who participate in activities must be covered by two kinds of insurance policies prior to practice and competition:

1. Catastrophic Insurance.
2. School athletic insurance plan or by a family's personal insurance plan. The district and/or school are not responsible for injuries and expenses, which result from participation. If the family plan insurance lapses during participation in an activity, it is the parent/guardian responsibility to acquire other insurance.

E. EQUIPMENT RESPONSIBILITY

I understand that I will be personally responsible for all school activity equipment issued to the student and the equipment will be returned in good condition and on time. I will be expected to pay replacement costs for any equipment lost or damaged by me. I will not be allowed to participate in any further activities until all equipment from the preceding activity has been returned.

F. ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

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Student-Athlete Initial _____ Parent Initial _____ Date _____

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H. EJECTION FINES

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Applies to Any Violation At or Away From School. Includes not only the regular season & school year but also the off season, all vacations and whether a code of ethics has been signed or not. (24/7-365)

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2017-2018 Code of Ethics: STUDENT NAME _____

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SELF-REFERRAL/HONESTY PROVISION

It is the intent of LCSD to assist students in developing responsibility for their actions. Therefore a student voluntarily reporting a personal violation of a rule in the Athletic Handbook may be permitted leniency. This student athlete may have their athletic suspension reduced to 20% of a sport season. A self-report **MUST** be initiated by a student-athlete to the Athletic Director or Principal within 24 hours of the infraction or by 4 pm of the next regularly scheduled school day. If a violation occurs during a holiday break or summer vacation a good faith effort should be made to contact the Athletic Director or Principal.

The student-athlete must come forward voluntarily to acknowledge violations of these policies regarding the use of drugs, alcohol, intoxicants, and tobacco prior to any investigation or other notification of school personnel or law enforcement agency. An investigation is defined as an attempt to validate an alleged violation of athletic department or school policy. The involvement of a law enforcement agency automatically constitutes an investigation. (Example: if the police are called to a party where alcohol is present, an investigation automatically begins). If the student invokes this provision the right to the appeal process is forfeited.

This leniency for honesty will be applied only one time during a student-athlete's high school career.

CONSTRUCTIVE POSSESSION (attendance at a party)

This occurs when a student-athlete is found to have been voluntarily associating with others who are illegally using, possessing, or distributing drug paraphernalia or alcohol, and who do not attempt to remove themselves in a reasonable amount of time. This applies only to student-athletes who, though in attendance, **WERE NOT** using drugs or alcohol. This regulation applies to circumstances that take place **ON or OFF** school grounds and at **ANY TIME (see 24/7-365 clause above)**. Constructive possession shall not apply to circumstances where the student-athlete is present at places where alcohol is being legally consumed.

The consequences for the first violation of constructive possession shall be suspension from one contest. Any subsequent violations for constructive possession shall result in suspension from competition as stated in the section below. (Alcohol/Drugs, page 25)

SANCTION REDUCTIONS

A Student-Athlete may reduce sanctions for their first Code of Conduct violation. No ineligibility will be entirely eliminated but a Student-Athlete that has been declared ineligible due to an Athletic Code of Conduct violation may reduce their ineligibility for their first Code of Conduct violation to a 10% ineligibility with completion of a 40 hour School or Community Service project. The project should be created by the Student-Athlete and **MUST** be approved in advance by both the Athletic Director and Principal.

Sport	OSAA maximum contests	33% of maximum contests	20% of maximum contests	10% of maximum contests
(round up at .75)				
Baseball	26	8	5	2
Basketball	24	7	5	2
Cross Country	12	4	2	1
Football	9	3	2	1
Golf	20 (9 holes)	6 (9 holes)	4 (9 holes)	2 (9 holes)
Soccer	14	4	3	1
Softball	26	8	5	2
Swim	12	4	2	1
Track	12	4	2	1
Volleyball	18 dates	6 dates/contests	3 dates/contests	2 dates/contests
Wrestling	14 events	4 events	3 events	1 event

I. CONSEQUENCES FOR Chemical Health Violations (Including but not limited to alcohol, tobacco, nicotine and other drugs.) -Continued-

1. Alcohol/Drugs

I understand that if I receive a Minor in Possession (MIP), violate LCSD Code: JFCH/JFCI Alcohol and Other Drug Use and Code: JFC-AR Student Code of Conduct, or am in attendance where there is the illegal use of alcohol or other drugs, I will be subject to the following:

Student Athletes/Student Council/ASB/Elected Officers/Elected and Selected Positions:

A. First Offense:

- i. Suspension from participation in the next competition for which they would have been eligible for thirty three and one third percent (1/3) of the number of the scheduled regular season contests (with the remaining balance to carry over into post season or subsequent seasons) and/or 21 calendar day suspension from office;
- ii. Completion of a Drug and Alcohol Assessment at their own expense. *Students must use a district-approved provider for the drug and alcohol assessment and follow all recommendations of the assessment to remain eligible.
- iii. Reconcile with peers as determined in collaboration with coach/advisor.

B. All Future Offenses:

- i. ASB Members: Loss of ASB title. May remain in Leadership classes per Administrative decision.
- ii. Athletics and other Activities: Suspension from participation for one Calendar year OR agree to an Athletic Expulsion Hearing by an LCSD designee and agree to their recommendations. Possible terms of Athletic Expulsion Hearing to include to all or combination of:
 - Probation for one calendar year.
 - Suspension from participation equal to 33% (See First Offense)
 - Attendance in school at or above 90%.
 - Must maintain academic eligibility and stay on track towards graduation.
 - Submit to UA's as determined by Hearings Officer.
 - Submit to Drug/Alcohol Counseling as determined by Hearings Officer.
 - Community Service as determined by Hearings Officer.
 - Other TBD

Failure to comply with any aspect of the agreed upon Athletic Expulsion Hearing recommendations could lead to revocation of said agreement. A new Athletic Expulsion Hearing will be required for the LCSD designee to determine appropriate course of action including possible Athletic participation suspension for one calendar year from the new infraction date.

NOTE: Participants who voluntarily turn themselves in for drug or alcohol counseling or treatment prior to an incident which violates the Activities Code will not be suspended. They will, however, be required to attend not less than ten hours of counseling. Any violation of the Activities Code during the counseling period would be dealt with according to the first offense of

the Activities Code pertaining to drug and alcohol violations. This does not mean that if a student turns him/herself in after getting caught in violation of the Code that he/she would not be suspended. This only covers students who seek counseling because they realize they have a problem.

Participants in any co-curricular activities will be subject to the same consequences as student athletes or student council. Suspension from office includes suspension from all school sponsored extracurricular activities (i.e. sporting events, dances, and club activities).

2. TOBACCO AND NICOTINE

I understand that if I possess or use tobacco/nicotine in any form and/or violate LCSD Policy GBK/JFCG/KCG: Tobacco Free Environment, I will be subject to the following penalties:

- A. First offense: (No prior tobacco/nicotine or chemical health violations)
 - i. Suspension for ten percent of the number of the scheduled regular season contests (with the remaining balance to carry over into post season or subsequent season) and/or 10 calendar day suspension from office. Any suspension shall begin with the next activity/competition for which I am scheduled to participate.
 - ii. Additional consequences outlined in the rules and regulations of LCSD Policy: GBK/JFCG/KGC may also apply.

- B. Additional Offenses:
 - i. Additional offenses will follow the steps outlined in Section I, Consequences for Chemical Health Violations.
 - ii. Example: Students with one prior tobacco/nicotine violation and no prior chemical health violations will be subject to the consequences outlined in Section I - A: Consequences for Chemical Health Violations, First Offense.
 - iii. Additional consequences outlined in the rules and regulations of LCSD Policy: GBK/JFCG/KGC may also apply.

- C. Tobacco/Nicotine Violations for Students with Prior Chemical Health Violations:
 - i. Students with previous Chemical Health Violations are not eligible for Tobacco/Nicotine consequences. They will be subject to the next consequence outlined in Section I: Consequences for Chemical Health Violations, as per their standing.

If I wish to run for student body office but have had one tobacco/nicotine violation in the past twelve (12) months, prior to elections I am required to perform 10 hours of community service to be determined by the building administration. If I have had more than one tobacco/nicotine violation in the past twelve (12) months, I am ineligible to run for office.

If I am in a position of leadership and violate the district tobacco/nicotine policy I will be required to perform 10 hours of community service to be determined by the building administration. A second violation within the term of office will result in my removal from office.

J. UNDERSTANDING AND AGREEMENTS – SCHOOL PRIDE AND SPORTSMANSHIP

1. I understand that I not only represent the school and myself, but also am a citizen of Lincoln County and a representative of my community. I will always conduct myself in a manner that will reflect well on my community and the activity programs of the Lincoln County School District. I understand that if my behavior reflects poorly on the activity group, school district, or community at large (e.g. law infraction, vandalism, frequent referrals, alcohol, tobacco, nicotine and other drug violations, poor sportsmanship, violations of the LCSD Social Media Guidelines and Expectations , etc.) I am subject to consequences including suspension from the activity for a defined period of time, or removal from the activity.

2. I understand that if I am suspended from school for any reason, I will be ineligible to participate in any school activity for the duration of the suspension. I also understand that as a current activity participant, I will be unable to participate in the next scheduled activity/competition after my suspension is concluded, this includes riding on the bus to the event, sitting with the team at the event or dressing down for the event. However, I will be allowed to participate during practice, per team rules. Alcohol, tobacco, nicotine and other drug violations will be enforced as per Section I (1&2) of the code.

3. I understand that I must complete the season in good standing in order to qualify for an activity award (i.e. letter or certificate).

4. I agree to follow the individual rules of any activity I participate in, as identified, in writing by the coach/advisor. I understand and will abide by the criteria established by the coach to earn a varsity letter award during the season.

5. I will comply with LCSD Weapons Code JFCJ.

If it is determined a rule has been violated, disciplinary actions required by LCSD Policy IGD-AR may not be waived.

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2017-18

Student Code of Ethics

Signature Page

By signing this document, I _____ (Student Name) , indicate that I have knowledge, understanding and agreement to these standards, set forth in order for me to be afforded the privilege of representing _____ (School Name) as a student. I am also aware that any violation on my part, to any of these standards, shall result in the consequences contained within this policy.

Student Name _____
(Please Print clearly)

Student Signature _____ Date _____

By signing this document, I _____ (Parent/Guardian) , indicate that I have knowledge, understanding and agreement to these standards, set forth in order for my son/daughter to be afforded the privilege of representing _____ (School) as a student. I am also aware that any violation on the part of my child, to any of these standards, shall result in the consequences contained within this policy.

Parent/Guardian Name _____
(Please Print clearly)

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STUDENT NAME _____

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