ATHLETIC CODE-GRANDVIEW HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENT & PARENT COPY

Extracurricular activities are provided by the Grandview School District and Grandview High School to provide opportunities for students that cannot be included during the school day. Extracurricular activities are voluntary; however, as participants are representing the school and community, the following policies shall apply to all students who participate in extracurricular activities. This Athletic Code will be effective from the date the athlete signs the athletic code agreement section of the Grandview Athletic Registration Form and will be continuously in effect until the last day of school of the year the athlete graduates from Grandview High School.

I. USE OF ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES
The use or possession (actual or constructive\(^1\)) of alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, drugs (illegal) or paraphernalia in any amount is prohibited. Law enforcement authority may be contacted. Washington Interscholastic Activities Association (WIAA) 18.26.2 - Penalties for the possession, use or sale of legend drugs (drugs obtained through prescription, Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 69.41.020-050), marijuana and controlled substances (RCW 69.50) shall be considered a violation of the athletic code and standards, and shall subject the student to disciplinary actions. All violations accumulate with an athlete until the last day of school of the year the athlete graduates from Grandview High School.

1. FIRST VIOLATION
The student shall be immediately ineligible for interscholastic competition for the remainder of the season. After serving a penalty of ineligibility of 20% of a scheduled sports season (which may carry over into the postseason or next sports season a student athlete participates in and completes in good standing), eligibility may be reinstated the season during which the violation occurred or was recognized if the student (with parent approval if applicable) agrees to participate and completely follow the recommendations of a Grandview School District approved assessment/assistance program.

In order to be eligible to participate in interscholastic competition the next season, the student shall meet with a Grandview High School eligibility board (consisting of the athletic director (or designee), a school counselor (or designee), a coach who does not coach the student, and a district drug and alcohol intervention specialist). This eligibility board will recommend to the principal appropriate action and the principal (or designee) will have final authority as to the student’s participation in interscholastic competition.

VOLUNTEER ADMISSION CLAUSE
If a student voluntarily comes forward and admits to a problem with drugs, alcohol, and/or tobacco and an agreement can be made between the student, parent(s)/guardian(s), and the Resource Management Team (RMT) to treat the student, it will be considered a guidance problem and not a discipline problem. The student will be referred to the RMT and must follow recommendations of the RMT. STUDENT WILL NOT BE DECLARED INELIGIBLE AND MAY CONTINUE PARTICIPATION IN INTERSCHOLASTIC COMPETITION IF RMT RECOMMENDATIONS ARE COMPLETELY FOLLOWED. IF RMT recommendations are not followed the voluntary admission will become the first violation and the next violation would be considered the second violation.

2. SECOND VIOLATION
The student shall be ineligible for interscholastic competition for a period of one (1) calendar year from the date of the second violation.

3. THIRD VIOLATION
The student shall be permanently prohibited from interscholastic competition.

II. ATTENDANCE
1. PREVIOUS SEMESTER
WIAA 18.7.0 - The student shall have been in regular attendance as a full time student as defined in WIAA 18.6.0 and 18.6.3 during the semester immediately preceding the semester in which the contest is held. A student who fails to complete the previous semester shall be ineligible for athletic competition during the current season.

2. ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENT PRIOR TO CONTEST/ACTIVITY/PRACTICE
The student must have attended ALL periods the day in which the contest/activity/practice is scheduled. Students that have not attended ALL periods the day in which the contest/activity/practice is scheduled shall not compete/participate in the scheduled contest/activity/practice. The student would be allowed to compete/participate in the contest/activity/practice if the absence is excused and cleared through the attendance secretary prior to the end of the school day in which the absence takes place. The principal, assistant principal, or athletic director must approve exceptions. Friday attendance may be used for Saturday contest/activity/practice or next competition if on a school break.

III. SCHOLASTIC ELIGIBILITY
1. PREVIOUS SEMESTER – WIAA 18.7.0
The student shall achieve passing grades in a minimum of:
- four (4) classes in a five (5) period class schedule\(^2\),
- five (5) classes in a six (6) period class schedule\(^3\),
- six (6) classes in a seven (7) period class schedule\(^4\).

A student shall have passed the minimum number of classes in order to be eligible for competition during the succeeding semester. The record at the end of the semester shall be final, except for those credits earned in a regular, accredited summer school program or alternative educational program accepted by the school district. A student who has failed to meet grade requirements shall be placed on suspension (the suspension period shall be from the end of the previous semester through the last Saturday of September in the fall and the first five (5) weeks of the succeeding semester in the spring). The student shall be ineligible to compete during the suspension period.

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\(^1\) Possession means having a substance in one’s custody or control. Actual possession occurs when the item is in the actual physical custody of the person charged with possession. Constructive possession occurs when there is no actual possession, but there is dominion and control over the substance such as knowing that alcohol, drugs (illegal) or tobacco products are available and/or being used by others.

\(^2\) Student attended Compass High School during the previous semester.

\(^3\) Student attended Grandview Middle School during the previous semester.

\(^4\) Student attended Grandview High School during the previous semester.
2. GRANDVIEW HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC REQUIREMENT

Student’s semester grades will be checked weekly. Any student failing two (2) or more classes will be immediately suspended. Students shall pass ALL classes enrolled in as well as meeting the WIAA minimum standards. Any student not meeting WIAA requirements at semester will be placed on suspension as detailed above. Any student meeting WIAA requirements but not passing ALL classes enrolled in will:

- Be placed on one (1) week probation. During the probation week the student will be allowed to compete. If, at the end of the probation week, the student is passing ALL classes the student will be declared eligible for competition. If, after being placed on one (1) week probation, the student is not able to pass ALL classes the student will be declared ineligible from competition for one (1) week. If, at the end of the week of ineligibility, the student is passing ALL classes the student will be declared eligible for competition. If, at the end of the week of ineligibility, the student is not passing ALL classes the student will be declared ineligible from competition for one (1) additional week.
- Once the student is declared ineligible from competition the student will have six (6) weeks to pass ALL classes. If, after six (6) consecutive weeks of ineligibility, the student is not able to pass ALL classes the student will be declared ineligible from competition for the remainder of that sport season. Whether or not the student is allowed to continue to practice with the squad will be at the discretion of the coach.
- On the last school day prior to winter and spring break students who are on suspension may be cleared if they are passing all classes. No further grade checks will take place during these breaks.
- The first grade check of each semester will be based on the previous semester grades.
- A student who transfers from Grandview High School to Compass High School during an athletic season who is currently academically ineligible will remain ineligible. Eligibility may be reinstated if the student is passing all classes after a period of three (3) weeks of enrollment.

IV. GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS

Students participating in extracurricular activities must obey all written rules and regulations of Grandview High School and Grandview School District, the WIAA, the Washington Administrative Code (WAC), and the RCW at all applicable times.

1. DETENTION

Schedule practices or activities do not excuse students from serving detention time.

2. VIOLATION OF SCHOOL & SCHOOL DISTRICT RULES - SUSPENSION

Violation of school rules can result in suspension (long or short term) from the activity.

3. STUDENT RESIGNATION FROM ACTIVITY

A student who quits one activity may not participate in another during the same season unless mutually agreed upon by both coaches.

4. COACH/ADVISOR RULES & REGULATIONS

Each coach or advisor will have additional rules and regulations that pertain to that particular activity.

5. DISTRICT TRANSPORTATION OF STUDENTS IS REQUIRED

Students are required to use district transportation to and from all extracurricular activities.

A. Exceptions

1. Written Request

A written request for an exception may be made by the parent/guardian and must be received by the Athletic Director at least one day prior to the event.

2. Parent/Guardian Verbal Request

Verbal request to a coach and/or administrator by a parent/guardian to release a son/daughter to their custody, may be made at an event. Upon such request, the coach and/or administrator may agree to release the athlete to the custody of the parent/guardian. If it is agreed that the student may be released to the parent/guardian the parent/guardian must sign the travel manifest (the coach and/or bus driver will be able to provide this document).

V. Illegal Acts

1. Being charged/cited with acts contrary to the Laws of the State of Washington (i.e. Misdemeanors) may result in loss of eligibility for up to and including the equivalent of one full season. This may include a portion of the scheduled contests of a future sport season in which he or she may choose to participate and complete in good standing. The ineligibility may be reduced if:

   a. Restitution is made in full and/or
   b. All legal ramifications have been resolved and
   c. The situation has been resolved to the school district’s satisfaction.

2. A student wanting to participate in athletics that has been involved in gross misconduct (i.e. arrested for a felony or in the process of being charged for a felony) may be declared ineligible to participate in athletics indefinitely. This period of ineligibility will continue until:

   a. All legal ramifications have been resolved and/or
   b. The situation has been resolved to the school district’s satisfaction.

VI. School Rules Violation: any single violation of school rules, which is of a serious nature (as determined by the administration), shall be considered a violation of the athletic code. Discipline may include, but is not limited to, suspension of one or more games. The following actions constitute examples of serious violations of school rules:

1. Any conduct or expression (lewd, indecent, obscene, or otherwise) causing substantial or material disruption or obstruction of any school function.
2. The attempt to inflict, intimidate, coerce, or the actual infliction of physical injury on any school employee, pupil, or other person. The administration/athletic director will have the authority to review each case to determine the existence of any mitigating circumstances (i.e. self defense).
3. The possession, handling, or transmission of any object which can reasonably be considered a weapon.
4. The attempt to haze or use any form of initiation upon any athlete, pupil, or other person. The administration/athletic director will have the authority to review each case to determine the existence of any mitigating circumstances. Hazing and initiation can lead to permanent dismissal from any or all participation in athletics. Hazing is the act of humiliating, physically or verbally, to punish, harass, or bully by forcing unnecessary acts, duties, tasks, or activities on a person. Initiation is considered ceremonies by which one is admitted to a group, club, team that attempts to humiliate, intimidate, coerce, or cause bodily harm to any person.

5. Any participant who quits a sport after their 15th day of practice may become ineligible for 25% of the scheduled contests of a future sport season in which he/she may choose to participate. A participant must receive permission from his/her coach and approval from the building athletic director in order to have the above penalty waived. If the coach and athletic director deny the participant’s request to discontinue participation he/she may appeal that decision.

VII. Minor Violations: Student athletes are expected to be well behaved at all times. Minor discipline violations may result in suspension for one or more games as determined by the Athletic Director based on the frequency of the violations. The consequence may be based on the number of detentions a student receives during the current sport season through the Assistant Principal/Principal’s office.

1. Two detentions: Student-athlete may meet with Assistant Principal and/or Athletic Director.
2. Three or more detentions: Student-athlete may be suspended for one game or more.
3. Five detentions: Student-athlete may be denied participation for the current sport season.

VIII. APPEAL PROCESS
Any student who is declared ineligible from competition or suspended from an activity for violation of these rules may appeal that suspension or ineligibility by providing a written request within two (2) business days of the suspension or declaration of ineligibility to the Grandview High School principal, vice principal, or athletic director. This written request will initiate an eligibility hearing with a Grandview High School eligibility board within three (3) business days of receipt of the written request. Results of this hearing will be provided within two (2) business days of the hearing. Further appeals can be made to the Grandview School District superintendent within two (2) business days of receipt of the hearing results. After two (2) business days from the original suspension of declaration of ineligibility, regardless if a stay is awarded, a student forfeits his/her right to an appeal. Further, after two (2) business days of receipt of the eligibility hearing results a student forfeits his/her right to an appeal.

IX. INELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE
For a student to be declared ineligible for competition a student must be notified prior to said contest by the administration and/or coach. If the administration was unaware of a violation that would preclude participation the student is deemed eligible for participation. Once the administration is aware of the violation and properly notifies the student that he/she is in violation of the athletic code, the appropriate action will be taken and the student will be declared ineligible.