

Boulder Valley School District

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INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Athletics and extracurricular activities encourage students to engage in their education, achieve their maximum potential, and build discipline and character. Participants represent not only themselves, but the students, faculty, and their entire school communities. Participation in interscholastic athletics and extracurricular activities is a privilege subject to compliance with the School District's Policies and practices.

All student athletes and participants in extracurricular activities are bound by the School District's Student Code of Conduct, including the prohibitions on sexual harassment and sexual violence. Also, the School District has adopted the following additional rules and regulations:

- 1. Participants may be required to pass a physical examination as appropriate to the activity.
- 2. Participants shall maintain appropriate standards of academic performance and class attendance.
- 3. Participants will abide by general school and community principles of good sportsmanship and conduct.

All students who participate in interscholastic athletics and extracurricular activities must sign an acknowledgement of the requirements to participate, preferably when they first participate in athletics or activities. Regardless of whether a student has signed the acknowledgment, any student who participates in interscholastic athletics or extracurricular activities is subject to this Policy. All coaches and activity supervisors are encouraged to review the Policy and expectations with the students at the beginning of the season or activity.

Disciplinary Procedures

Students alleged to have violated the School District's Code of Conduct or any of the additional expectations included in this Policy shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary sanctions. Investigations shall be conducted by the Principal or appropriate school administration or as otherwise required by law or policy. Depending on the nature of the allegation, the School may restrict the student's participation in the athletic or extracurricular activity until the investigation is complete. An investigation will include an opportunity for students to present

their side of the story. This does not include the right to secure counsel, to confront and cross-examine witnesses, or to call witnesses.

The determination to impose sanctions related to participation in interscholastic athletics or extracurricular activities and the nature of the sanctions to be imposed shall be made by the Principal. The school will provide appropriate notice of any sanction to the student and parent(s).

Application of Policy

A student is subject to this Policy throughout the season of the sport or duration of the activity. In addition, sanctions may be imposed for serious and substantial violations occurring at any time during the school year, on or off campus, and, where deemed appropriate, while school is not in session.

Miscellaneous

Nothing contained in this Policy shall be deemed to prohibit a coach or activity sponsor from establishing and enforcing additional rules appropriate and applicable to the activity, and other matters relating to the functioning of the team or group. It is anticipated that minor violations--meaning only those that do not constitute a violation of the School District's Code of Conduct or this Policy--may be handled directly by the coach or activity sponsor after conferring with the Athletic Director and/or the appropriate School District administrator.

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