

**TOWN OF WEBB UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT – EXTRACURRICULAR PARTICIPATION**

Overview:

Participation in school-sponsored extracurricular activities is a privilege, not a right. Students are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that reflects positively upon themselves, the school, and the community. Students who wish to participate in school-sponsored extracurricular activities are required to adhere to all school policies and rules.

Eligibility requirements:

Academic Eligibility:

Eligible – Students are considered academically eligible to participate in school-sponsored extracurricular activities unless they are failing two or more subjects at the end of any 5 or 10 week marking period.

Probation – Students are considered on probation if, at the end of any 5 or 10 week marking period, the student is failing two or more subjects. In such a case the student will be placed on probation for the five (5) weeks of the next marking period. The probation period begins on the Friday that report cards/progress reports are released. It is expected that the student on probation will work to bring all failing grades up to a passing level by the end of the probationary period. While on probation, the student is eligible to participate in school-sponsored extracurricular activities. While on probation, the student is eligible to participate in the Interscholastic Athletic Program and practices, as long as the requirements of academic support are being met. If the agreement of the academic support is breached, the student will immediately become **ineligible** from any athletic activity until determined eligible by the administration.

Ineligible – If at the end of the probation period, the student is still failing two or more subjects, he/she will be placed on the ineligible list. The student will not be eligible to participate in any school-sponsored extracurricular activities for the remainder of that 5 week marking period. If they are still failing two or more classes in the next (third consecutive) marking period, they will remain ineligible to participate in any school-sponsored extracurricular activities. The student will remain on the ineligible list as long as they are failing two or more subjects at subsequent 5 or 10 week marking periods. The student will return to the probation list if they achieve a 5 or 10 week marking period when they are failing only one subject, and they will return to the eligible list if they achieve a 5 or 10 week marking period when they are passing all of their subjects. This will carry over from one school year to the next.

Attendance Eligibility:

- To be eligible to participate in a school-sponsored extracurricular activity on a given day, a student's attendance at a minimum of 8/10 periods of the school schedule is mandatory, unless the student provides a written notice of a legal absence upon arrival at school which is approved by the School Attendance Officer.
- Students may participate in school-sponsored extracurricular activity during the same day as a college interview, a job interview or a physician's appointment providing a **written note** from the appropriate party is obtained.

- A student may not participate in a school-sponsored extracurricular activity during the same day as an absence due to illness.
- If a student is absent from school because of suspension, or any illegal absence any part of the last day of the week that school is in session, that student is ineligible to participate in school-sponsored extracurricular activities on that weekend.
- In addition to the daily attendance requirements, a pattern of illegal absences and/or tardiness by a student will also be considered a violation of the district's attendance policy and result in disciplinary action.

Behavioral Eligibility:

To be eligible to participate in a school-sponsored extracurricular activity the student must follow all laws and school rules without exception. The student shall not use, consume, possess, buy, sell or give away alcohol, tobacco, tobacco products, performance enhancing substances or any controlled drugs (other than those prescribed to the student by a physician) or illegal drugs. A student shall not host or attend any unsupervised party where alcohol and/or drugs are present. An unsupervised party is considered to be a gathering where adults are not present and/or illegal underage drinking is taking place. If a student participant finds him/herself in a situation where alcohol and/or drugs are present, that student is to leave immediately.

A student who wishes to participate in school-sponsored extracurricular activities must practice good social behavior as members of an athletic team/club/organization and as citizens of the community. Students must keep in mind that by participating in a school-sponsored extracurricular activity, they represent the school district and the community. Any misconduct or illegal activity that results in the disqualification from a game or athletic event, misdemeanor or felony arrest, appearance tickets, prosecution, indictment or sentencing is considered to be inappropriate behavior and subsequently, disciplinary action may occur. ***Legal or court proceedings or decisions do not need to be made before disciplinary consequences are enforced by the school district.***

Formal Commitment and Participation

Once a student has formally committed to participate in a school-sponsored extracurricular activity, students must report to each meeting, rehearsal, practice and/or game unless excused in advance by the appropriate coach, faculty member, Athletic Director or Administrator. Every student that chooses to commit to an extracurricular activity is expected to remain committed until the end of the marking term or sports season, whichever is applicable. Once the student has made a formal commitment, quitting without providing proper notice will make the student ineligible to participate in any school-sponsored extracurricular activities until reinstated by the Administration.

Withdrawing from a commitment:

- Quitting after the first practice/meeting/rehearsal but before the start of the second week of practice/meetings/rehearsals with the consent of the appropriate coach, faculty member, Athletic Director or Administrator will result in **no** suspension.
- A student who withdraws after the start of the second week (without the consent of the appropriate coach, faculty member, Athletic Director or Administrator) will be ineligible to

- participate in any school-sponsored extracurricular activities until reinstated by the Administration. This will carry over from one school year to the next. Student athletes will be forfeiting any athletic awards that he/she may have been eligible for that season.

Student Travel:

Students who participate in extracurricular activities are to travel to and from athletic contests/events at other schools in the vehicles provided by the Town of Webb UFSD. All school rules apply to student conduct on the school bus. Transportation to and from practices/events scheduled at a time other than the normal after-school practice/event time will be the responsibility of the student and parent. Transportation home following out-of-town contests/events will be provided by the school. Transportation home following home contests/events is the responsibility of the student and parents. Special permission may be granted by the Athletic Director and Coach or Faculty Advisor for a student to travel home from away contests/events/event with their parent or a parent-approved adult after a contest. This is to be accompanied with a written note or upon completion of a school-provided form. **Under no circumstances will it be possible for a student to travel home with another student or a non-approved adult.**

CONSEQUENCES FOR VIOLATING THE STUDENT CODE

1st Infraction (Grade 9-12 career):

- Loss of ability to participate in school-sponsored extracurricular activities for four weeks.
- Loss of the opportunity to earn any Athletic Awards or recognition for that season.
- Enrollment in and completion of an appropriate education/counseling program selected by the student and their parents and approved by the Town of Webb School District.

2nd Infraction (Grade 9-12 career):

- Loss of the ability to participate in school-sponsored extracurricular activities for six weeks. This consequence may extend into the next season that the student hopes to participate in or the next school year if the need arises.
- Loss of any opportunity to earn any Athletic Award or recognition for that season.
- Community Service hours will be recommended
- Enrollment in and completion of an appropriate education/counseling program selected by the Town of Webb School District.

3rd Infraction (Grade 9-12 career):

- Removal from all sports teams and school-sponsored extracurricular activities.
- Loss of any opportunity to earn any Athletic Award or recognition for that season.
- Enrollment in and completion of an education/counseling program selected by the Town of Webb School District.
- Loss of eligibility to participate in any future school-sponsored extracurricular activities, with automatic review after one year.

Review and Special Circumstances – With a majority vote, a five-person committee comprised of the student, the student’s parent or guardian, the Principal, the Athletic Director, and a representative from the School Board are given the authority to review special circumstances and implement consequences of a greater or lesser magnitude for the above infractions.

TOWN OF WEBB UFSD APPEALS PROCESS

If a student is accused of violating the district’s Student Code of Conduct – Extracurricular Participation:

- A committee comprised of the Principal and the Athletic Director shall investigate the reported violation to determine if there is credible and sufficient information/evidence to conduct a hearing. If necessary, the committee will conduct the hearing in a timely fashion and render a decision.
- If the student wishes to appeal the committee’s decision, the student may request, in writing, a hearing before the Superintendent or their designee. Parent(s) will be notified and given the opportunity to attend and address the hearing.
- If parents desire, they may appeal the Superintendent’s decision to the Board of Education.

Decisions at all levels remain in effect during the entire period of the appeal process.

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Letter of intent

I have read the Student Code of Conduct – Extracurricular Participation and my signature below indicates my commitment to the Code of Conduct and my willingness to abide by the Code as presented to me. I fully understand the consequences should I violate the Student Code of Conduct – Extracurricular Participation.

In the event of a medical emergency involving my child, I authorize the faculty/coach, certified EMS (emergency medical service) personnel, or a licensed physician to provide immediate and necessary care.

Extracurricular Activity

Please print – Student's Name

Student Signature

Date

I have read the Student Code of Conduct – Extracurricular Participation
and have discussed it with my son/daughter

Parent Signature

**To be handed to the appropriate coach/faculty advisor
before they will be allowed to begin participation.**