

# **YORK HIGH SCHOOL EXTRA-CURRICULAR CODE OF ETHICS**

## **CODE OF ETHICS**

Students shall not use, transport or be in possession of alcohol, use or be in possession of tobacco in any form, use, have in possession, buy, sell or give away drug paraphernalia, marijuana or any other substance defined by law as a drug or look-alike drug including the unlawful use of anabolic steroids. It is not a violation for a student to be in possession of a legally prescribed drug for that students' own use.

## **CODE OF ETHICS VIOLATIONS**

All violations are cumulative over an individuals' high school career, and carry over into all other sports seasons and extra-curricular activities. Students are required to meet with the Wellness Counselor upon violation. Prior to this meeting, the Wellness Counselor will call the parents of the student in question to provide an introduction to Wellness services and to acquire background information on the student.

**First Offense:** 3-week suspension from all games/contests/activities; week one allows no formal contact with the team/activity. Weeks two and three the student is allowed to resume practicing, travel to and attend games/activities with the team/club but not be in uniform or participate. Within this 3-week suspension, all students must meet with the Wellness Counselor to complete a Juvenile Automated Substance Abuse Evaluation (JASAE), Day One's Positive Choices Curriculum, and a Personal and Academic Goals Statement. Confirmation of completion as well as a copy of the students' Personal and Academic Goals Statement will be sent in writing to the appropriate coach/advisor before formal reinstatement to the team/club is granted.

**Second And Subsequent Offenses:** Student is suspended and not allowed on any teams/activities for one calendar year. For each of the second and subsequent offenses, an additional meeting with the Wellness Counselor is required. Personal and Academic Goals Statements will be reassessed and parental contact will once again be made. The Wellness Counselor will be available for further consultation with students and parents.

## **ATTENDANCE**

Students must be in school by 11:00 a.m., or for students with an abbreviated schedule, 50% of the day, and be in attendance the remainder of the school day in order to be eligible to participate in games/activities or practices. Attendance is required on Friday to be eligible for Saturday games/activities. In case of family emergencies, doctor appointments, or other excused absences, approval from the Athletic Director or School Administrator is required.

## **ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY**

A student must be academically eligible to participate in athletics/extra-curricular activities. A student must be passing four subjects and is not allowed to fail or be incomplete in more than one. Grades are reviewed quarterly and eligibility may not be made up in summer school. A student who fails off a team/activity is not eligible for awards.

## **TRAVEL POLICY**

All participants will travel to games on school-approved transportation unless the Athletic Director/School Administrator has granted prior approval. Students are expected to return on the bus unless the coach/advisor has granted prior approval. Students will groom themselves in a manner prescribed by the coach/advisor.

## **ATHLETIC/ACTIVITY PARTICIPATION AND PARENT APPROVAL FORM**

Participation forms must be turned in before the student is allowed to participate in practices, games or activities. This form indicates student/parent agreement with the Code of Ethics, proof of insurance and physicians approval for participation. Any student who wishes to participate in extra-curricular sports must present written evidence of a licensed health care provider's approval to practice and/or play. The pre-participation physical should be performed by one's own primary care provider as a part of a comprehensive medical exam. For those students who either do not have their own physician, the funds or insurance, physical exams will be offered in the spring of each year by area health care providers free of charge. Physical examinations are valid for one calendar (twelve-month period) year. Each sports candidate will complete the York Public Schools Athletic Participation and Parental Approval form, which includes insurance information. At the high school level, this information should be filed with the Athletic Director.