

Orrville City Schools Extra-Curricular Activities Code of Conduct

The Orrville Schools Board of Education recognizes that participation in extra-curricular activities is a privilege, not a right, and that those students involved in extra-curricular activities participate voluntarily under certain obligations and restrictions. This Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct will apply to any student who participates in any extra-curricular activity which is not required as a part of the regular school curriculum and is not considered to be part of the athletic department.

Students shall not possess, use, sell, offer to sell, deliver, conceal, consume, or be under the influence of any drugs of abuse. This would include: alcohol, tobacco, tobacco-related products, illegal drugs, controlled narcotics, intoxicants, steroids, performance enhancing drugs, or any substance that is directly or indirectly represented to be a drug of abuse (or look-alike).

Students should not attend or remain at activities where illegal consumption of alcohol or drugs is taking place. To do so puts the student at risk for being identified as one who was involved in illegal activities.

A violation of the rules listed above will come from the word of a school administrator, teacher, coach, or advisor within the school system, or law enforcement officer. It is common practice for the Orrville Administration to work in conjunction with local law enforcement agencies to receive information pertaining to code of conduct violations.

The Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct shall be in effect 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Violations that occur in grades 7 and 8 shall not carry over to high school; however the assessment/counseling component must be completed prior to any participation in a high school activity. Violations in Grades 9-12 shall be cumulative.

Procedures For The Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct

First Offense

- The student will miss the next 20% of that club or activity's scheduled events following the violation **OR** a similar penalty as determined by the advisor and administration. If the full 20% loss of participation is not possible for that particular activity, the total and/or remaining percentage will carry over to the student's next activity in which he/she becomes a participant. (The student must complete the entire activity or the penalty will be assessed on the next activity in which the student participates.)
- Events will include, but not be limited to, regular meetings, practices, rehearsals, performances, club field trips and fund raisers. The administration has the discretion to assign the event to be missed.
- The student will be required to enter "**Insight**" program or obtain appropriate services of an agreed upon professional assistance agency. This will be at the expense of the student.

- Insight is generally an eight hour educational and self-awareness program to assist students in determining the role alcohol, and/or drugs play in their life. Insight must be done through an approved agency.
- The student must follow any of the recommendations from the insight program.
- The student will allow the agency to forward to the OHS administration the letter of completion and any related recommendations.

Second Offense

- The student will miss the next 50% of that club or activity's events following the violation **OR** a similar penalty as determined by the advisor and administration. If the full 50% loss of participation is not possible for that particular activity, the total and/or remaining percentage will carry over to the student's next activity in which he/she becomes a participant. (The student must complete the entire activity or the penalty will be assessed on the next activity in which the student participates.)
- The student will be required to complete a **"Full Assessment"** program or obtain appropriate services of an agreed upon professional assistance agency. This will be at the cost of the student.
 - Full Assessment is a more in depth procedure involving an interview by a certified drug and alcohol counselor. This may include the gathering information from family members, school personnel, law enforcement agencies to determine the role that alcohol, tobacco, and/or drugs is playing in that person's life.
 - The student must follow any of the recommendations from the full assessment.
 - The student will allow the agency to forward to the administration the letter of completion and any related recommendations.

Third Offense

- A third-offense will result in denial of participation for the duration of the student's school career.
 - After 1 calendar year from the date of a third violation, the student may appeal to the superintendent and board of education representative to athletic council for reinstatement. Their decision on this matter is final.

Use Or Possession Of Tobacco And/or Tobacco-Related Products

- A student shall not use or possess any form of tobacco, tobacco-related products, or tobacco paraphernalia.
- The penalty for tobacco violations will be the same as those with alcohol and/or drugs as shown above.
- Tobacco violations are cumulative with the drug and/or alcohol violations.

- The only difference between the tobacco violations and drug and/or alcohol violations is that there will not be the insight or full assessment programs. (Those programs are not geared toward tobacco violations.)
- In place of insight (first violation) the student will have approximately 8 hours of tobacco research, reports, and education as outlined by the district athletic director.
- In place of full assessment (second violation) the student will have approximately 16 hours of tobacco research, reports, and education as outlined by the district athletic director.

*Nothing in this Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct shall prevent a coach, activity advisor or administrator from removing a student on an emergency basis, for a specific period of time, if the student's conduct threatens the health and safety of any individual, or disrupts the good order and discipline of the environment of the extra-curricular activity.