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Athletic Program Philosophy

The Pardeeville Board of Education believes individual students will benefit through opportunities to grow physically, socially and intellectually through their experience in self-discipline and their contribution to team effort made possible through competitive interscholastic team and individual sports activities. The district interscholastic athletic program is embroidered in the concepts of cooperation, competition and participation.

1. By participation, the board means that every effort and resource should be utilized to create an environment in which all students actively engaged in a sport will have every opportunity to be involved. The board believes that it has an obligation to teach the maximum number of students and help develop skills and attitude to the highest level possible. Self-image and self worth should be enhanced by the athlete experience.
2. The Board's concept of cooperation is a relationship between athlete and an athlete, athlete and coaches, and coaches and parents/guardians that generate trust, confidence and individual growth. All concerned with the activity have an obligation to be completely informed concerning the goals, regulations and expectations.
3. Competition is both a healthy and motivational force in any athletic experience. The board wishes to avoid the "win at all costs" approach to athletics and will not measure the success of district athletes or coaches on the points scored or win/loss records.

2. INTRODUCTION

ALL EXTRACURRICULAR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ARE A PART OF THIS CODE. Extracurricular usually means the activity is conducted outside of the school day and participants are not graded.

This extracurricular code is in effect 12 months a year. It binds those students who are currently participating in any activity, and those who are potential participants.

ATHLETICS: Certain sections of this code are based on the WIAA regulations. If through oversight, should the Pardeeville code be in conflict with the WIAA regulations, or new WIAA provisions, the WIAA regulations will take precedence.

3. OBJECTIVES

- A. To give students an understanding that participation in organized activities is a privilege which carries responsibilities.
- B. To provide the discipline that teaches obedience, loyalty, team play, personal pride, respect for others, and the will to win.
- C. To promote health and physical fitness.
- D. To provide opportunities for lasting friendships, both with teammates and opponents.
- E. To provide an opportunity for the fair play and good sportsmanship which is vital to good citizenship.
- F. To teach the responsibility which results from accepting consequences of rule violations.

4. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

- A. The participant must be a full-time student in regular attendance.
- B. Non-public school students may participate according to School Board Policy 601.81
- C. Athletics: The participant may not have been a student in high school more than eight semesters.

5. SCHOLARSHIP

- A. In order for a student to participate in any extracurricular activity in the middle/senior high school they must have completed all the required work below the 6th grade.
- B. Public school students who participate in extracurricular activities must also have a semester class program of at least four in-house subjects.
- C. If a student receives a failing quarter grade they will lose eligibility for participation and competition for a period of 15 scheduled school days or 1/3 of the maximum number of games/meets allowed by the WIAA, whichever is less (round up the number of games/meets if the result is a fraction). On the 15th day, students must be passing all classes to regain eligibility. Grades will be checked on PowerSchool by the athletic office by the **end** of the 15th day. **This will be the only opportunity until the next grading period for a participant to regain eligibility.** If the participant has regained eligibility it will go into effect on the 16th day. Participants that are not passing at the 15th day check point will not become eligible until the next grading period.
- D. The loss of eligibility will become effective the next scheduled school day after grades are due in the office, or in the case of fall sports, the minimum ineligibility periods shall be the lesser of 1) 21 consecutive calendar days, beginning with the date of earliest allowed competition in a sport or 2) one third of the maximum number of games/meets allowed in a sport (rounded up if one-third results in a fraction). A student may regain eligibility under the following circumstances: 1) They may regain eligibility on the 16th scheduled school day or after having met the criteria of non-participation in 1/3 of the games/meets, provided that they have brought their grade(s) up to the academic standard. 2) They may become immediately eligible upon completion of any incompletes within two weeks after the grade-reporting period, providing it brings their grade(s) up to the academic standard.
- E. Middle School grades are checked every two weeks for eligibility. An "F" makes a student ineligible to compete for two weeks.
- F. Athletics: An athlete must also meet WIAA requirements regarding competition.
- G. If, while on suspension for violation of the "standards of conduct", a student receives an "F", the suspension may be served simultaneously if the student participates in all practices and maintains good standing in the activity.
- H. Incompletes: A student who receives an incomplete will have 10 days to remove the incomplete (an incomplete is considered an F until it is removed). Note: An incomplete caused by a major illness or injury may extend the 10 days.

6. DAILY PARTICIPATION ELIGIBILITY

A student must attend school all day in order to participate in that day's activity, practice or competition.

Students coming late more than 10 minutes after the start of school will not be allowed to participate. In the event of a Friday or the last day prior to a school break absence, parental contact with the principal is required for the student to participate in non-school day activity/event.

Any exception to the daily attendance rule must be approved by the principal. A student or parent must contact the principal **IN ADVANCE** of an absence from school to obtain a waiver.

Any student removed from the classroom during the school day for inappropriate behavior will not be allowed to participate in extracurriculars that day.

7. TRAVEL REGULATIONS

A student must travel with the sanctioned organization in school-provided transportation both to and from out-of-town competitions.

Although it is not encouraged, parents may request that their child travel with them after the competition. This request must be made by the parent to the advisor/coach both in person and in writing.

A student must travel to an activity in school transportation in order to be eligible to participate.

Other exceptions to this rule must be approved by the principal. In a situation where the principal is not available, the district administrator or coach will decide what is appropriate.

8. DOCUMENTATION

To be eligible for participation, a student must have the following on file with the activities director **before** participating:

Parent / Student Agreement verifies that:

1. the student and parent have read the handbook.
2. they will abide by the handbook.
3. they will be financially responsible for all property issued to the student.

Athletics: Athletes must have on file with the activities director a completed WIAA physical examination card. A physical must be obtained every two years. If an athlete's physical status is questioned by a coach or trainer, the activities director may order a physical by a physician of the school's choice at the school's expense.

Athletics: A WIAA parent alternate card is required the year after a WIAA physical examination card is obtained.

Concussion: A WIAA concussion form is required to be completed before the start of the sport the athlete competes in.

9. SUSPENSION NOTICE

Recommendations for suspension from an activity or activities will be made by the activities director in writing to the principal. When a student is notified of a suspension, the principal and the activities director must be present. The school district will attempt to make verbal contact with a parent/guardian that same day and a letter will be sent home within one business day.

10. EXTRACURRICULAR CONFLICTS

In all conflicts of school-sponsored activities the principal, with consultation with the student, will reach a decision that is in the best educational interest of the student.

Athletics: A WIAA tournament series will be considered a conference activity. A student suspended for any part of a WIAA tournament series will be ineligible and suspended for the entire tournament series.

If conflict arises between participation in a varsity sport and participation in a support group or non-school organization which is simultaneously performing at a school athletic event, the student must participate on the athletic team.

11. STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

A. All students who participate in extracurricular activities are subject to the following conditions:

1. Any student who uses, possesses, consumes, buys, sells, provides, or is under the influence of alcohol, and/or a controlled substance (including non-prescribed steroids or mind altering substances); is caught smoking or chewing tobacco or in possession of the same or any electronic cigarettes and/or other similar devices; is guilty of criminal behavior, in addition to any other unacceptable conduct contrary to the ideals, principals, and standards of the Pardeeville Schools and the WIAA.

a. **First Offense**

- I. Suspension from all activities for 33 % of the athlete's sport season, and/or 21calendar days for other extracurricular activities excluding vacations. Drug and alcohol violations will result in a loss of 50 % of all activities.
- II. A student found to be in violation of drug/alcohol rules who agrees to participate in and completes the first available board approved drug awareness program, may reduce their suspension to 1/3 of the season or 21calendar days for other extracurricular activities as determined by the activities director. The board approved drug awareness program may only be used once in a student's high school career and only at the first offense level.

b. **Second Offense**

- I. 2/3 of the sports season and / or 60 calendar days for other extracurricular activities excluding vacations. Students who are not able to complete a suspension because of the length of time left in an activity shall make up the remainder of the suspension in their next activity. I.E., 1/6 suspension from two sports equals a 1/3 season suspension.

c. **Third Offense**

- I. A third offense at any time shall result in the student being suspended for a period of one full year from the date of offense/suspension.
- II. During this period of time, the suspended student may not participate in any practice sessions, contests, or activities.

- d. Subsequent offenses will result in another full calendar year suspension with no reduction of penalty. During this time students must demonstrate acceptable behavior as called for by the code in order to regain future eligibility.

B. Suspension is not served if the student quits an activity (or sport) before its season is completed. The activities director will determine exceptions to this rule. When it isn't clear, the activities director will determine which sport is a particular athlete's next sport.

C. Students may be suspended from participation for unacceptable behavior while under school supervision, e.g. insubordination to a school employee, use of profane language, fighting, etc. as determined by the activities director.

D. Students who receive a detention must serve the detention prior to participating in practice, home competitions (if time allows), and away competitions if the bus leaves after detention dismissal time. Students who are not able to serve a detention prior to an event must make arrangements with the principal, before the event, to serve the detention on the next school day that detentions are held. Students who do not serve a post event detention as scheduled will be ineligible for the next event.

- E. Athletics: Policies regarding residence, amateur status, attendance, non-school participation, credits, etc. are controlled by the WIAA. For clarification of these rules contact the activities director / superintendent.
- F. Attendance at all activities is mandatory. To miss an activity or practice, students must secure permission from the advisor in advance.
- G. Athletics: Participation in more than one sport during a season requires the permission of both coaches, the activities director, and the principal. Exception: Participation in both cheerleading and dance is possible in the same season.
- I. Athletics: Leaving the squad:
 - 1. No athlete who is dropped from one squad for disciplinary reasons will be eligible to compete in another sport for that particular season.
 - 2. Any athlete who is cut from a squad may participate in another sport during that season.
 - 3. Any athlete who quits a team may join another squad during the season with the approval of the activities director and building principal.

CONSEQUENCES FOR VIOLATIONS OF RULES C - I

The principal upon consultation with the activities director may suspend a participant for up to ten days or what they deem necessary.

12. REPORTING INFRACTIONS

- A. Penalties for violations of the extracurricular code will not be based on hearsay.
- B. School officials have the obligation and right to investigate possible violations of the code.
- C. Any person may accuse a participant of violating the code. Accusations may be made to the building principal or activities director. Accusations will be made via a signed letter which includes information regarding the violation and agreement to appear before any due process hearing and the accused should such need arise.
- D. The activities director will be the coordinator of the investigation of the case until its conclusion.

13. DUE PROCESS

Procedure of due process related to the extracurricular code:

"Due process" is a procedure which the courts of law recognize as a necessary part of any rules and regulations. "Due process" furthermore, and of primary importance, recognizes the rights of the individual since it outlines a recourse in the event the student feels a wrong decision has been made. The "due process" steps outlined hereafter is the procedure for students and their parents to follow in appealing decisions relating to eligibility. It should be understood that student and/or parents will be expected to follow the "due process" steps in the event legal action should be initiated at some later date.

- A. After a ruling of the ineligibility resulting in suspension from extracurricular activities has been made, a student and/or his/her parents will be provided, at their request, the opportunity to be heard prior to any penalties being enforced. They may also formally appeal the decision in writing to the District Administrator. The appeal must be received within 7 calendar days from the day the notice of ineligibility was mailed. It shall be set forth with particulars or basis for the appeal. When a student appeals a suspension, the student remains ineligible during the appeals process.

- B. After the appeal has been received, the District Administrator shall, within 7 calendar days review the decision of the activities director and may schedule a conference with the student, the student's parents, and the activities director. These meetings may be separate from one another or held at the same time depending on the situation. Additional meetings and conferences may be held by the District Administrator involving coaches / advisors and other persons deemed necessary by the District Administrator, if a rule relating to a specific sport / activity is involved.

During the hearing or conference:

1. The student will be provided an opportunity to make a statement, testify, and present other evidence or facts on his / her behalf.
2. Proceedings of the hearing, including the decision of the District Administrator in response to the appeal will be put in writing, and a copy of this mailed by certified mail to the student and his / her parents.

- C. If the student and his / her parents are not satisfied with the District Administrator's decision they must submit in writing a request for a Board of Education hearing. The request must be within 7 calendar days of the mailing of the District Administrator's decision. The District Administrator will schedule a hearing with the Board of Education at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

During the hearing or conference:

1. The student will be provided an opportunity to make a statement, testify, and present other evidence or facts on his / her behalf.
2. Proceedings of the hearing, including the decision of the Board of Education in response to the appeal will be put in writing, and sent by certified mail to the student and his / her parents no later than 7 days following the board meeting.

14. PARENT-COACH / ADVISOR CONFERENCES

Advisors are expected to maintain an open, impartial attitude toward each student as they evaluate and assess ability, attendance, teamwork, and attitude on a daily basis.

Should parents feel that their child is not receiving just treatment, they should obtain a "Chain of Command Form" and meet with the advisor to discuss their concerns. If the outcome of such a meeting is not satisfactory to the parent, the matter should follow the steps in the chain of command starting with the coach of the team involved.

15. ATHLETICS: AWARDS

Athletic awards recognize service, participation, and accomplishment in the athletic program.

- A. The first season a high school student participates in an athletic program, class numerals are awarded.
- B. The first year a student letters on the varsity level, the school letter, a pin appropriate to the activity, a bar pin, and a certificate are awarded. If not already awarded, class numerals are also awarded at this time.
- C. When in a subsequent season the student letters in a different athletic program, the appropriate pin, bar pin, and certificate are awarded.
- D. When a student letters in an athletic activity for the second, third or fourth time, a bar pin and certificate are awarded.

- E. At the end of the season, the athlete must be "in good standing" in order to receive an athletic award. It is the head coach or advisor who will determine whether the athlete is in good standing. The coach may use discretion in adapting the following standards in borderline cases.
1. Baseball, softball, basketball, curling, volleyball, golf, wrestling: An athlete must play a minimum of 50 % of the varsity contests.
 2. Football: An athlete must compete in nine full varsity quarters or appear in 18 varsity quarters.
 3. Cross Country: An athlete must either
 - a. finish as one of our team's top five runners in more than half of the meets; or.....
 - b. compete at the WIAA state meet; or
 - c. compete as one of the top seven runners on conference champion team.
 4. Track & Field: An athlete must score a minimum of 15 points at varsity meets.
 5. Managers, cheerleaders, dance: Students must meet the criteria set by their coach or advisor.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES REFERENCE

The following is a list of different school activities which are covered under this code book;

A. Athletics

Baseball	Cross Country	Football	Softball	Track and Field
Basketball	Curling	Golf	Volleyball	
Cheerleading	Dance	Hockey	Wrestling	

B. Fine Arts

Forensics	Honors Band	Plays
Musical	Honors Choir	Solo Ensemble

C. Social / Civic

Academic Decathlon	Badger Girl / Boy State
National Honor Society	Homecoming Court
Prom Court	School Dances & Social Functions
Winterfest Court	Washington DC Trip

D. Class / Clubs

Spanish Club	Drama Club	Art Club
F.B.L.A.	FFA	Skills

E. Student Government

Student Council
Class Officer

"CHAIN OF COMMAND"

If a parent feels that their son/daughter is being unfairly treated or would like a clarification concerning a matter, they should discuss the situation with the coach / advisor of the squad and work their way up the chain of command. The signature of the coach signifies that a conference was held prior to meeting with the next person on the list.

MR./ MRS./ MS. _____

PARENT(S) OF: _____

_____ Coach / Advisor	_____ Date
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_____ Head coach / Advisor	_____ Date
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_____ Activities Director	_____ Date
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High School Athletic Eligibility Information Bulletin

To: Student-Athletes and Their Parents

From: Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association and _____

(School)

Your high school is a member of the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association. The following rules and regulations are developed by the member schools of the WIAA and govern the participation by boys and girls in school athletics and in some instances, impact upon sports activities outside the school.

This information bulletin is a **summary** of the WIAA OFFICIAL HANDBOOK as it pertains to those rules and regulations. Both student-athletes and their parents should have an understanding of these requirements. Equally important is that student-athletes and/or parents talk to their principal or athletic director if they have any question about these regulations. For additional information on Rules of Eligibility see the WIAA Handbook, or visit the WIAA website at www.wiaawi.org.

This bulletin does not discuss specific penalties for all violations. The reason is that penalties vary depending upon the nature of the violation. In addition, schools often have established penalties or periods of ineligibility which are greater than the minimum prescribed by WIAA rules.

There also are exceptions and other permissive provisions in some rules. Student-athletes and their parents should discuss all athletic eligibility related situations with the school principal or athletic director who, if necessary, will get a decision, interpretation, or opinion from the WIAA office.

Student-athletes, as well as parents are asked to read this bulletin, then sign it and have their signature statement (attached) on file at their school prior to practicing and competing.

These are WIAA eligibility rules:

AGE

A student shall be ineligible for interscholastic competition if he/she reaches his/her 19th birthday before August 1 of any given school year.

ACADEMICS

A student-athlete must meet school and DPI requirements defining a full-time student and have received no more than one failing grade (including incompletes) in the most recent school issued grade reporting period. Note: Some member schools adopt code and academic policies and other participation requirements which are more stringent than WIAA minimum requirements. In those instances the schools requirements prevail and must be applied as written.

ATTENDANCE

A student-athlete is eligible for interscholastic competition at a member school if he/she is carried on the attendance rolls as a duly enrolled full-time Grade 9, 10, 11 or 12 student in that member school. (Subject to satisfying all other eligibility requirements.)

Note: A full-time student is further defined as one where the member school is responsible for programming 100% of the student's school day. The student is eligible for like or similar awards, privileges and services as all the other students and meets all obligations and responsibilities as other students, without exception.

- A. A student must complete eligibility in the four consecutive years starting with Grade 9 and the three consecutive years starting with Grade 10, unless there are documented extenuating circumstances and a waiver has been provided.
- B. A student is ineligible if he/she has graduated from a school offering studies through Grade 12 or its equivalent.
- C. A student who graduated in May or June retains eligibility for (a) any portion of a spring athletic schedule not completed by the end of the academic year and (b) the school's summer athletic schedule.
- D. A student is ineligible if he/she has not been enrolled in some school by the 17th day of a semester or trimester, except upon request of a school in special cases involving sickness, accident, military service, social services assignment, e.g.
- E. A student-athlete may not participate in school sports in more than four different years, and a student-athlete may not participate in the same sport more than one season each school year.

DETERMINING RESIDENCE FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS

A full-time student, whether an adult or not, is eligible for varsity interscholastic competition only at the school within whose attendance boundaries his/her parents reside, within a given school district, with these additional provisions:

- A. Board of Education approved full-time student(s), paying their own tuition and residing full time with parents in their primary residence shall be afforded eligibility. Transfer students are subject to provisions outlined in the transfers section of this document and in the Senior High Handbook.
- B. The residence of a student's guardians shall determine eligibility in cases where both parents of a student are deceased. The execution of guardianship papers in situations where one or both parents are living does not by itself make a student eligible.
- C. In the event of a divorce or legal separation, whether pending or final, a student's residence at the beginning of the school year shall determine eligibility, except in situations involving transfer after the fourth consecutive semester following entry into grade 9. For the purpose of this rule, attendance at one day of school and/or attendance at one athletic practice shall determine 'beginning of school year.' Under this rule, a student who transfers after the beginning of the school year shall be ineligible at the new school unless approval is granted by the Board of Control in accordance with the transfer and/or waiver provisions as described in the WIAA HS Handbook.

- D. A student whose tuition is paid by the school within whose attendance boundaries parents reside or by the state and is enrolled in a district approved program may be eligible at either school (first priority to school of residence) but (a) may not participate at both schools in the same year and (b) academic ineligibility accompanies student upon transfer. Transfer restrictions may also apply.
- E. A student whose tuition is paid by the school within whose attendance boundaries parents reside or by the state or who is participating full time in a legislated open enrollment option must meet all statutory timeline requirements. This provision extends the opportunity to decline attendance at the new school and continue at his/her school of residence. If the student begins the school year at the new school and then transfers back to school of residence after attending one or more days of school or one or more athletic practices, he/she shall be subject to transfer provisions as outlined in the transfer Section of this document.
- F. A student may continue being eligible in the same school even though parent(s) and/or student move from within that school's attendance boundaries, provided enrollment is continuous (unbroken in that school).
- G. After a student-athlete has not participated and/or has had their eligibility restricted for one calendar year due to reasons relating to residence and/or transfer, he/she becomes eligible.
- H. A student-athlete will not be eligible if his/her attendance at a particular school resulted from undue influence (special consideration because of athletic ability) on the part of any person.
- I. A student-athlete who has been declared ineligible at a school for disciplinary reasons, academic reasons or due to another State Association's provision retains that ineligibility status if he/she transfers to another school.
- J. Except in situations involving transfer after a student's fourth consecutive semester, a full-time student whose residence in a given district and attendance at a member school does not conform with any of the provisions outlined above shall be eligible for non-varsity competition only, for one calendar year, unless a waiver is provided as outlined in the WIAA HS Handbook under Waivers. Transfer students are subject to transfer provisions as outlined in the transfer section of this document and in the Senior High Handbook.

DETERMINING RESIDENCE FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS

A full-time student, whether an adult or not, is eligible for varsity interscholastic competition only if the student is residing full time with parents in their primary residence with these additional provisions:

- A. In the event of a divorce or legal separation, whether pending or final, a student's residence at the beginning of the school year shall determine eligibility except in situations involving transfer after a student's fourth consecutive semester. For the purpose of this rule, attendance at one day of school and/or attendance at one athletic practice shall determine 'beginning of school year'. Under this rule, a student who transfers after the beginning of the school year shall be ineligible at the new school unless approval is granted by the Board of Control in accordance with the waiver provisions as described in the WIAA HS Handbook under Waivers. Transfer restrictions may also apply.
- B. Residing full time with guardians shall determine eligibility in cases where both parents of a student are deceased. The execution of guardianship papers in situations where one or both parents are living does not by itself make a student eligible.
- C. A student may continue being eligible in the same school even though parent(s) and/or student move from within that school's traditional attendance area, provided enrollment is continuous (unbroken in that school).
- D. Except in situations involving mid-year transfer and/or transfer after the fourth consecutive semester students attending member residential schools shall be eligible at the member school provided they reside at the school or reside full time with parents in their primary residence.
- E. Except in situations involving transfer after a student's fourth consecutive semester, a full-time student attending a nonpublic school but not residing in accordance with any of the provisions outlined above shall be eligible for non-

varsity competition only, for one calendar year, unless a waiver is provided as outlined in the WIAA HS Handbook under Waivers.

TRANSFERS

A full-time student may be afforded up to eight consecutive semesters of interscholastic eligibility upon entry into Grade 9. **Transferring schools at any time may result in restrictions being imposed on eligibility, or in some cases a denial of eligibility.** For the purpose of this rule, attendance at one day of school and/or attendance at one athletic practice shall determine 'beginning of school year.' These additional provisions relate to transfer cases:

- A. A student who transfers from any school into a member school after the fourth consecutive semester following entry into Grade 9 shall be ineligible for practice and competition for one calendar year, unless the transfer is made necessary by a total change in residence by parent(s). The calendar year (365 days) will be determined from a student's first day of attendance at the new school.
- B. Open enrolled and/or tuition paying students entering 9th and/or 10th grade at the beginning of the school year and who are within the first four consecutive semesters of high school will be afforded unrestricted eligibility provided all other rules governing student eligibility are met.
- C. Open enrolled and/or tuition paying students entering 11th and/or 12th grade as transfer students are ineligible to practice and/or compete for one calendar year.
- D. 9th grade students who transfer after the beginning of the school year and with written consent from both schools directly involved may be provided nonvarsity opportunities for the remainder of the school year. Restrictions are removed upon entering 10th grade.
- E. 10th grade students who transfer after the beginning of the school year and with written consent from both schools directly involved may be provided nonvarsity opportunities for one calendar year (365 days beginning with first day of attendance at the new school).
- F. In the event of divorce or legal separation, whether pending or final, residence at the beginning of the school year shall determine eligibility for students entering 9th and/or 10th grade. In situations involving transfer after the fourth consecutive semester following entry into grade 9 the student is ineligible to practice and compete for one calendar year.
- G. District policies with respect to intra-district transfer do not supercede WIAA transfer rules in situations involving post-4th semester transfers. Intra-district transfers occurring after the fourth consecutive semester following entry into grade 9 result in the student being ineligible for practice and competition for one calendar year (365 days beginning with first day of attendance at the new school).

- H. Unless transfer, including an accompanying change of parents residence, is effective at the outset of a semester, a student cannot establish eligibility at his/her new school until the fifth calendar day of such transfer.
- I. If within the first four consecutive semesters following entry into grade 9, a student who transfers more than once in any given school year shall be ineligible for all interscholastic competition for the remainder of that current school year and will be eligible for nonvarsity opportunities only for the balance of the calendar year. In situations involving transfer after the fourth consecutive semester following entry into grade 9 the student is ineligible to practice and compete for one calendar year.
- J. A student may not have eligibility in more than one member school at the same time. A parent or parents who move from a primary residence within one school's attendance boundaries, to a secondary residence within another school's attendance boundaries, may be required by the Board of Control to provide evidence of a total move.
- K. A student who transfers from any school, whether or not a member school, with a status of ineligibility for disciplinary reasons, academic reasons and/or as a result of another State Association's regulation or sanction, retains such status at his/her new school for the same period as decreed by the former school.
- L. No eligibility will be granted for a student whose residence within a school's attendance boundaries, with or without parents, or whose attendance at a school has been the result of undue influence (special consideration due to athletic ability or potential) on the part of any person, whether or not connected with the school.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION and PARENT'S PERMISSION

A student-athlete whether an adult or not, must have written permission of parents to participate in school athletics and he/she must have a physical examination (signed by a licensed physician or advanced practice nurse prescriber) every other school year.

A physical examination taken April 1 and thereafter is valid for the following two school years. Physical examination taken before April 1 is valid only for remainder of that school year and the following school year.

TRAINING and CONDUCT

A student-athlete must follow his/her school's code of conduct (training rules) on a year-round basis.

- A. A student-athlete who violates his/her school's code of conduct during the season of a sport (start of practice to final game) must be suspended from competition for a period of time specified in the code (minimum of one meet) if the violation involves (a) possession and/or use of alcohol, (b) possession and/or use of tobacco, including chewing tobacco and (c) use, possession, buying or selling of controlled substances, street drugs and performance enhancing substances (PES).
- B. The member school will determine minimum penalties for violation of any other provisions of its code of conduct, including out of season offenses and for any other unacceptable conduct contrary to the ideals, principals and standards of the school and this Association including but not limited to criminal behavior.
- C. A student-athlete who violates his/her school's code of conduct at times other than during the actual season of a sport must be disciplined by the school, the nature of such discipline to be determined by the school as indicated in its code of conduct.
- D. A student-athlete who violates any part of the school or WIAA's code of conduct resulting in suspension of WIAA-sponsored tournament competition must be immediately declared ineligible for the remainder of tournament series in that sport.
- E. A student-athlete, disqualified from a contest for flagrant or unsportsmanlike conduct, is also suspended from the next competitive event.
- F. A school must provide an opportunity for the student to be heard prior to a penalty being enforced. If a student appeals a suspension, according to the schools appeal procedure, the student is ineligible during the appeal process.

AMATEUR STATUS

A student-athlete must be an amateur in all recognized sports of this association in order to compete in any WIAA sport.

- A. A student-athlete may not accept, receive or direct to another, reimbursement in any form of cash or merchandise such as shirts, jackets, sweaters, sweatshirts, jerseys, warm-ups, equipment, balls, dufflebags, backpacks, watches, rings, billfolds, coupons, gift certificates, regardless of their value for athletic accomplishments, such as being on a winning team, being selected for the school varsity team, or being a place winner in an individual tournament, e.g.
- B. A student-athlete may receive awards for school achievement which are symbolic (non utilitarian) in nature – badges, certificates, trophies, medals, banners, ribbons, pictures, plaques, event T-shirts, event hats, game balls, unattached emblems, letters, season highlight DVD or video, e.g.
- C. A student-athlete may not receive compensation or benefit, directly or indirectly, for the use of name, picture, and/or personal appearance, as an athlete. This includes receiving free and/or reduced rates on equipment, apparel, camps/clinics/instruction and competitive opportunities that are not identical for all other participants.
- D. A student-athlete may not be identified as an athlete, provide endorsement as an athlete or appear as an athlete in the promotion of a commercial/advertisement and/or profit-making event, item, plan, or service.
- E. A student-athlete may not participate in school athletics or in sports activities outside the school under a name other than his/her own name.

SPORTS ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL

A student-athlete in a given sport may not compete in that same sport outside of school either as a team member or an individual or independent entry during the same time he/she is participating with the school team.

- A. WIAA rules do not prevent athletes from practicing with nonschool teams or from receiving private skills instruction during the school season. However, they may not participate in any nonschool games, including scrimmages against other teams.
 - (1) This restriction applies to normal nonschool games as well as "gimmicks," such as reduced numbers competition (3-on-3 basketball, 6 player soccer, e.g.), specific skill contests (punt, pass, and kick, shooting contests, free throws, 3 point, e.g.), fun runs, etc.
 - (2) A student who was a member of a school team during the previous year may not delay reporting for the school team beyond the school's official opening day of practice in order to continue nonschool training and/or competition.

- B. During the school year before and/or after the school season of a sport, a student-athlete may participate in sport activities outside of school with these restrictions:
- (1) A student-athlete must not participate in nonschool programs, activities, camps, clinics and/or competition that is limited to individuals who are likely to be candidates for the school team in that sport in the following season.
 - (2) Nonschool activities in which students are engaged may not resemble in any way a school team practicing or competing out-of-season.
- C. In the summer nonschool roster restrictions are not in effect and members of a schools team may voluntarily assemble with their teammates (without school and/or school coach involvement) at their own discretion.
- D. A student-athlete or his/her parents must pay the fee for specialized training or instruction such as camps, clinics, and similar programs.
- E. A student-athlete may not be instructed except during the school season of a sport and approved summer contact days by the person who will be his/her coach in that sport in the following school season. The sports of baseball, cross country, golf, gymnastics, softball, swimming, tennis, track & field, and wrestling are exempt from this rule, BUT only (a) during the summer months and (b) if the program involved is not limited to individuals who are likely to be candidates for the school team in that sport in the following season.
- F. A student-athlete must not participate in an all-star game or similar contest except for summertime activities (a) within the same league or program (e.g., softball game between divisions of same league) or (b) in which a team is selected to represent a league in post-season play (e.g., Babe Ruth league team). Some post-season all-star opportunities may be permitted for 12th graders who have completed high school eligibility in a particular sport. Check with your Athletic Director to be certain.