

ACTIVITY CONTRACT AGREEMENT

In addition to the “Rules and Regulations for Students in the Coeur d’Alene School District,” as outlined in student handbooks, co-curricular/extra-curricular activity and student interest organization participants are also governed and are to abide by this Activities Code and the appropriate code of behavior standards established for the specific activity.

The rules and regulations of the activity contract apply to all attending Coeur d’Alene School District students in any IHSAA sanctioned, non-sanctioned activity, and student interest organization during the year, beginning with the first season of participation until graduation.

Because participants are representatives of the Coeur d’Alene School District, they are expected to conduct themselves at all times in a manner that will reflect the high standards and ideals of their team, activity group, school and community. Participation in activities within the Coeur d’Alene School District requires that the student maintains successful performance in academics and citizenship and that the student remains in good standing as defined within the School District Activities Code as defined in IHSAA. Those students who violate the Activities Code shall be subject to discipline which may include permanent removal from participation in school district activities.

STUDENT ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

1. A student must be in school the entire day in order to participate in a practice or activity that day. An exception would be if the student had an approved appointment (or other acceptable excused absence) that prevented attendance.
2. If a student is absent the last school day of the week, and the competition is on a non-school day, the student must bring to the coach/advisor a signed statement from the parent/guardian that permission is given to participate. It is recommended that the coach/advisor call the parent in regard to the nature of the absence.

ACADEMIC STANDARDS

High school participants are required to follow IHSAA rule 8.1 for individual eligibility.

Higher academic eligibility expectations may be established periodically at the discretion of the coach/advisor during the activity season.

Use of Tobacco – Tobacco use shall be defined as the use and/or possession of a lighted or unlighted cigarette, cigar, pipe, smokeless tobacco in any form, and other smoking products specifically including electronic cigarettes, electronic nicotine delivery systems, or vaporizer smoking devices. Research emphasizes that use of tobacco is physically harmful to young adults. The rule means no use of tobacco all year, in or out of season. [Reference Policy 3305]

No Alcoholic Beverages – There is no way to justify athletes using alcoholic beverages, even though social pressure may be hard to resist. Again, this rule means no drinking all year, not just during the season. [Reference Policy 3320]

Drugs – Simply stated, drug abuse is the consumption of any chemical substance or the smoking of some plant derivatives for the purpose of mood modification. The use or misuse of drugs is a social problem. The rule against substance abuse is in effect all year. [Reference Policy 3300]

PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS

This activities contract will be subject to enforcement and/or disciplinary action by the administration from the beginning of the first season of participation until graduation.

The penalty for violation of the school's activities contract is: 20% of the season contests for first violation, 50% for the second violation and permanent suspension on the third violation. During a 20% or 50% exclusion period, the athlete will continue to participate in all team activities and attend home contests. However, the athlete will not be allowed to dress down for home contests nor travel with the team to away contests.

First Violation Penalty – After confirmation of the first violation, the student will be suspended immediately from a minimum of 20% of the scheduled contests in the sport in which the student is a participant. If the penalty is not fully administered during that sport season, the remainder of the penalty will be applied to the next interscholastic sport season in which the athlete participates.

Second Violation Penalty – After confirmation of the second violation, the student will be suspended immediately from a minimum of 50% of the scheduled contests in the activity in which the student is a participant. If the penalty is not fully administered during that activity season, the remainder of the penalty will be applied to the next interscholastic activity season in which the student participates.

Third Violation Penalty – After confirmation of the third violation, the student will be suspended from participation in activities for the remainder of his/her high school career.

CO-CURRICULAR/EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES VOLUNTARY DRUG TESTING PROGRAM

The voluntary drug-testing program is not intended to be disciplinary or punitive in nature. Students involved in extracurricular activities need to be exemplary in the eyes of the community and other students. It is the purpose of this program to prevent students from participating in extracurricular activities while they have drug residues in their bodies, and it is the purpose of this program to educate, help, and direct students away from drug and alcohol abuse and toward a healthy and drug-free participation. Situations may arise where a student has stopped using marijuana prior to the season but, because of the residual effects of THC, they may still test positive.

The selection of volunteer participants to be tested will be done randomly by the principal or administrative designee from the volunteer list, and selections will be made from time to time throughout the school year.

Under this drug-testing program, any staff, coach, or sponsor of the District who may have knowledge of the results of a drug test will not divulge to anyone the results of the test or the disposition of the student involved, other than in the case of a legal subpoena being made upon that person in the course of a legal investigation. Once again, this will underscore the District's commitment to confidentiality with regard to the program.

No student shall be expelled from school as a result of any verified positive test conducted by his or her school under this program, other than as stated herein. Refer to administration for disciplinary procedures which follow. [Reference Policy 3330 Student Discipline]

CONCUSSION INFORMATION

Concussions are a type of brain injury that can range from mild to severe and can disrupt the way the brain normally works. Concussions can occur in any organized or unorganized sport or recreational activity and can result from a fall or from players colliding with each other, the ground, or with obstacles. Concussions occur with or without loss or consciousness but the vast majority occurs without loss of consciousness.

In accordance with House Bill 632 Section 33-1625, Idaho Code the Idaho High School Activities Association has provided information for coaches, parents, and athletes, concerning the Identification and Management Strategies regarding concussions. The IHSAA encourages all coaches, parents, and athletes to educate themselves about the recognition and treatment of concussions. If you have any questions or need of further information, please contact your school or the IHSAA Office at admin@idhsaa.org.

WARNING, AGREEMENT TO OBEY INSTRUCTIONS, RELEASE ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND AGREEMENT TO HOLD HARMLESS

(Both the applicant student and a parent/legal guardian must read carefully and sign).

I am aware that interscholastic athletics are violent contact sports and that playing or practicing will be a dangerous activity involving **MANY RISKS AND INJURY**. I understand that the dangers and risks of playing or practicing in interscholastic athletics include, but are not limited to, death, serious neck and spinal injuries which may result in complete or partial paralysis, brain damage, serious injury to virtually all internal organs, serious injury to virtually all bones, joints, ligaments, muscles, tendons and other aspects of the muscular skeletal system and serious injury or impairment to other aspects of my body, general health and well-being. I understand that the dangers and risks of playing or practicing in interscholastic athletics may result not only in serious injury, but also in a serious impairment of my future abilities to earn a living, to engage in other business, social and recreational activities, and generally to enjoy life.

Because of the dangers of interscholastic athletics, I recognize the importance of following the coaches' instructions regarding playing techniques, training and other team rules, etc., and agree to obey such instructions.

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ACTIVITY CONTRACT AGREEMENT SIGNATURE PAGE

Students in the Coeur d'Alene School District are required to sign an activity contract agreement.

I understand that this agreement states that should I become involved in activities or student government or athletic clubs that I will have maintained good citizenship in the school building, classroom, and community.

If I am involved in violations of the activity contract agreement or any violations of a serious nature including misdemeanors, felonies and crimes of violence, I could be subject to suspension/expulsion from any and all activities.

1. I have read and understand the activity contract agreement of Coeur d'Alene School District's policy 3400 and the rules that apply to this contract.
2. My parent/legal guardian and I have received and reviewed the information on concussions.
3. I have read and understand the insurance waiver. _____
(Student's name)
is adequately covered through our own insurance program for all accidents and injuries which may occur while at school or during participation in school activities. I will assume responsibility for all expenses incurred in an emergency.
4. I have read and understand the Coeur d'Alene School District Travel Expectations. (3400P)
5. I have read and understand the "Warning, agreement to obey instructions, release assumption of risk, and agreement to hold harmless" statement. *(Both the applicant student and a parent/guardian must read carefully)*
6. I hereby consent to the above named student participating in the activity program at his/her school of attendance. This consent includes travel to/from activity contests (via district 271 transportation) and practice sessions. I further consent to treatment deemed necessary by physicians designated by school authorities for any illness/injury resulting from his/her activity participation.

High School Only

7. My participation in activities for the Coeur d'Alene School District is entirely voluntary on my part, and with the understanding that I have not violated any of the eligibility rules and regulations of the state association.
8. I have read and understand IHSAA Rule 8.1 governing eligibility as determined by the Idaho High School Activities Association.

Student Participant

Parent/Legal Guardian

Date