

ATHLETICS & EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES CODE OF CONDUCT

Participation in school sponsored athletic and/or extracurricular activities at Sandwich CUSD 430 is a privilege and not a right. Therefore, all students who participate in athletic and extracurricular activities are required to comply with this Code of Conduct. By the district permitting participation in an athletic or extracurricular activity by the student, both the student and the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) agree and promise that the student will abide by all the requirements of this Code of Conduct. **This code of conduct is enforced at all times, even when school is not in session.**

The Code of Conduct for participants in all Athletic/Extracurricular Activities shall be included in the Sandwich Middle School Handbook and in the Sandwich High School Handbook. Copies of this code shall be given to all extracurricular participants and their parent(s)/guardian(s) and the code shall be explained at an orientation meeting. Parent(s)/Guardian(s) and the student will be asked to sign the Extracurricular Code of Conduct Informed Consent Agreement and the Consent and Release for Random Drug Screening. The duration of this consent shall be one calendar year, extending from August 1 through July 31.

Students are not eligible for participation in any athletic/extracurricular activities unless these consent forms are signed and submitted by September 1st. Students submitting signed forms after September 1st (or later than two weeks after registration if enrolling after the start of the school year) will either serve the consequence for a positive test or submit to a drug test (administered by the district contracted provider – at student's expense) and release the results to the designated school representative.

This Code of Conduct is not intended to be used as the sole disciplinary model for students participating in athletics and/or extracurricular activities. It is to be used in conjunction with the Sandwich CUSD #430 disciplinary model and IHSA rules included in other sections of the handbook.

Although the Code of Conduct applies to students at both Sandwich Middle School and Sandwich High School, behavior and consequences occurring at Sandwich Middle School do not carry over to Sandwich High School.

LEVEL A INFRACTIONS AND CONSEQUENCES (athletes/extracurricular participants)

Level A infractions include, but are not limited to, behavior noted as Level 1 in the "Disciplinary Cycle Model" section of the handbook. This includes rude and unacceptable behavior. It does not include behavior that falls under Level B and/or Level C below. For purposes of this section, these infractions will be considered on a season by season basis. Participants are allowed to practice, not compete.

FIRST OFFENSE:	Warning letter placed in file
SECOND OFFENSE:	Warning letter placed in file
THIRD OFFENSE:	Suspended for one contest

FOURTH OFFENSE: Suspended for two contests

FIFTH OFFENSE: Suspended for 20% of current season(s)

LEVEL B INFRACTIONS AND CONSEQUENCES (athletes/extracurricular participants)

Level B misconduct includes the possession or use of tobacco products. It includes behavior on or off school property occurring at any time, including school holidays and vacations. Participants are allowed to practice, not compete.

FIRST OFFENSE: Suspension of one contest (no warning)

SECOND OFFENSE: Suspension of two contests

THIRD OFFENSE: Suspension of 20% of current season(s)

LEVEL C INFRACTIONS AND CONSEQUENCES (athletes/extracurricular participants)

Level C misconduct includes, but is not limited to, the behaviors shown below. It includes behavior on or off school property occurring at any time, including school holidays and vacations.

1. Any use, possession, or transportation of alcohol or illegal drugs; being under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance; testing positive for drugs; possession of drug paraphernalia, steroids, a controlled substance, or look-alike drugs.
2. Criminal acts (charged with and/or convicted of)
3. Behavior noted as Level 3 or Level 4 in the "Disciplinary Cycle Model" section of the handbook (with the exception of tobacco, which is handled above as a Level B infraction).
4. A positive test result under the Random Drug Screening Program.

FIRST OFFENSE:

Athletics

The participant will be suspended from participation in 66% of the total sport season with an option to attend and successfully complete an intervention program to reduce the penalty to a minimum of 20% of the season. Participants are allowed to practice, not compete.

District counselors will provide a list of resources where interventions may be sought; however, the student will be responsible to attend, complete and pay for the intervention. Interventions are to commence within ten days of an infraction and documentation of successful completion must be provided to the principal.

Example of Level C Infraction: Student plays a sport(s). Consequence: The student shall be suspended from each athletic activity until consequences have been served.

Sport: loss of 66% of the total sport season with an option to attend and successfully complete an intervention program to reduce the penalty to a minimum of 20% of the season. Suspensions carry over from one athletic activity to the next until the full consequence has been served.

All Other Extracurricular Activities (non athletics)

Suspensions involving a student participating in non-athletic extracurricular activities will be subject to the loss of 66% (57 school attendance days) of the length of an average semester, which is equivalent to 86 school attendance days. If the student agrees to attend and successfully complete an intervention program the consequence will be reduced to 20% (17 school attendance days). Participants are allowed to practice, not compete/participate.

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Example of Level C Infraction: Student is involved in regiment and the play - Consequence: The student shall be suspended from participating until consequences have been served.

Regiment & Play (all encompassed): loss of 66% (57 school attendance days) of the length of an average semester, which is equivalent to 86 school attendance days. If the student agrees to attend and successfully complete an intervention program, the consequence will be reduced to 20% (17 school attendance days). Suspensions carry over from one activity to the next until the full consequence has been served.

SECOND OFFENSE:

Athletics

Suspension will be for the balance of the current sport season and 66% of the next season in which the participant is involved. Participants are allowed to practice, not compete.

All Other ExtraCurricular Activities (non athletics)

Suspensions involving a student participating in extracurricular activities (other than athletics) will be subject to the loss of 66% (57 school attendance days) of the length of an average semester, which is equivalent to 86 school attendance days. Participants are allowed to practice, not compete/participate.

Example of Level C Infraction – 2nd Offense: Student plays football and is involved in student government. Consequence: The student shall be suspended from the rest of the football season and then 66% of his/her next sport. The student will also be suspended from all other activities/privileges for 57 school attendance days.

THIRD OFFENSE:

The student will be suspended from all extracurricular activities for the duration of his/her career at that school. Consequences will not carry over from Sandwich Middle School to Sandwich High School.