

**CLIFTON HIGH SCHOOL  
EXTRACURRICULAR  
CODE OF CONDUCT  
2017-18**

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Extracurricular Code of Conduct

Participation in Clifton High School Extracurricular Activities is a privilege and not a right. Therefore, the behavior expectations set forth in the Clifton High School Extracurricular Code of Conduct (“ECC”) exceed the behavior expectations set forth in the Student Code of Conduct (“SCC”).

Clifton High School Extracurricular participants must act with **PRIDE** and **DIGNITY** at all times. The purpose of this ECC is to establish regulations and procedures to work with violations that occur **ON OR OFF SCHOOL GROUNDS THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE CALENDAR YEAR** to deal with Extracurricular Participants who commit violations in a fair and timely manner. The code is designed to discourage inappropriate behaviors, encourage extracurricular students to make choices that ensure their health and safety, and provide appropriate consequences for students who violate the code.

- Students who choose to participate in extracurricular activities are role models and exemplary behavior is expected of them **at all times**.
- The Coach/Director has the right to set high standards for and to impose consequences on those students who choose to participate in extracurricular activities.
- Each extracurricular activity may have specific conduct expectations in addition to the expectations outlined in the ECC. The expectations in each program will be developed and approved by the Coach/Director and Athletic Director.
- The **ECC** does not limit or restrict the authority of the Coach, Director, or school administrator from imposing other consequences in addition to the penalties set forth below, i.e., extra practice, and/or conditioning can be added to any consequence imposed.
- Discipline imposed under the **SCC** shall not affect any consequences imposed under the **ECC**.
- **Serious** behavior violations may result in removal from the extracurricular program.

### **Participant Responsibilities**

Extracurricular participants have the responsibility to:

- Always remember they are representatives of their school, family and community - they must make a constant effort to project a positive, respectful image.
- Always be considerate of those around them and actively avoid situations that may reflect poorly on themselves and/or Clifton High School.
- Exhibit proper behavior - failure to do so will result in discipline in accordance with the Clifton ISD Code of Conduct.
- Adhere to the specified guidelines and rules of their chosen activities.
- Adhere to the specified guidelines and rules of the **SCC**.

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## **Academics**

Participants of any UIL activity must meet the minimum grade standards of the University Interscholastic League (UIL) and the Texas Education Agency.

1. At the beginning of each school year UIL eligibility is determined by state graduation credits earned during the previous school year(s). Each student must earn a minimum of 5 state graduation credits in the previous school year.
2. Each student participating in a UIL activity must be passing “all subjects” with at least a 70 average at the end of each six weeks grading period. If a student is ineligible for 2 consecutive grading periods he/she will no longer be allowed to participate in athletics until full eligibility is regained (a report card is issued with passing grades, not a 3 week progress report).

## **Tobacco, Alcohol and Illegal Drugs**

### **Tobacco**

*The following rules apply to all Clifton High School Extracurricular students at all times during the calendar year.*

- No smoking or use of any tobacco products OR of electronic cigarettes.

Offenses will be handled in the following manner:

- Parent notification by the Coach/Director
- Extra conditioning or practice as determined by the Coach/Director

### **Alcohol and Illegal Drugs**

*The following rules apply to all Clifton High School Extracurricular students at all times during the calendar year.*

- Students shall not illegally consume, use, possess or disseminate alcohol and/or other illegal drugs in any form, at any time or place, shall be suspended from participation in extracurricular activities, in addition to any disciplinary consequences required by law.

Offenses will be handled in the following manner:

First Offense:

- Parent notification by the Coach/Director
- The student shall be suspended from participating in extracurricular activities for 10 percent of UIL allowable number of contests in his/her current or next sport/activity season.

Second Offense:

- Parent notification by the Coach/Director
- The student shall be suspended from participating in extracurricular activities for 50 percent of UIL allowable number of contests in his/her current or next sport/activity season.

### **Alcohol and Illegal Drugs (continued)**

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Third Offense:

- Parent notification by the Coach/Director
- The student shall be excluded from participating in extracurricular activities for the remainder of his/her school career.

Note: To calculate the suspension, a percentage of the number of games/activities/events allowed by the UIL will be applied. For example, if a student is suspended for 10% of the basketball season, the suspension would be for 2.5 games, as the UIL allows 25 games for basketball if no tournaments are played. If the activity is not a UIL event, the percentage will be calculated based on the number of events for that particular activity. For example, if the student participates in activities related to Future Farmers of America (FFA) wool judging, the percentage would be calculated based on the number of wool judging events available to the student.

If the offense occurs during the off-season then the suspension will begin the Monday preceding the first competition or performance.