

COCISD Athletics Code of Conduct

General Requirements

All athletes must meet all requirements of the UIL for eligibility, current scholastic eligibility, physical forms, rule acknowledgement forms which will be kept on file with the Athletic Dept. All forms needed can be printed off on the COCISD website or obtained by the Athletic Trainer or Head Coach

Discipline

Student conduct will be stricter for student athletes than that specified by the Student Code of Conduct. Misconduct by athletes, which occurs at times when the student athlete is under the coach's supervision, or is specifically stated below will be subject to the disciplinary provisions of the athletic department and may be subject to the provisions of the Student Code of Conduct. Misconduct by athletes, which occurs at times when the athlete is on school property or at a school related activity and the athlete is not under the coaches supervision will be subject to the Student Code of Conduct. The Athletic Director and Principal will review misconducts that violate both the athletic policy and the Student Code of Conduct.

Punishment Phase for Athletics:

- 1. Verbal warning**
- 2. Corporal Punishment or Punishment Conditioning per Parent Consent.** Under Punishment Conditioning this will include the following before any competition will take place:
 - 1 mile under 12 min
 - 600 yds of bear crawls
 - 600 yds of log rolls
 - 1 mile under 12 min

*** This will be completed in order and done in time in one setting if the athlete expects to compete in the next competition***
- 3. Game Suspension**
- 4. Team Removal**

Coach expectations to Sport

Each sport will also have sport policies built within the sport, but will be cleared through the Athletic Director.

Personal / Technical Foul and Ejection Policy

Personal Fouls in competition will be dealt with immediately and the athlete will be removed from competition to be addressed as a teaching moment.

Player Ejections will result in 3 phases. The 1st ejection will result in an half game suspension, the 2nd ejection will result in an full game suspension and the 3rd offense will result in removal from the team. Reaching a Level 3 will be up for review for the following season. Player Ejections will go under full review from the AD, Principal and Superintendent for final results.

Practice Uniforms

All athletes will wear school issued practice uniforms during workouts.

Dress and Hair Requirements

In addition to normal school requirements for dress and appearance, all athletes should have neat haircuts and be clean in order to practice or participate in any sport. NO jewelry will be acceptable during practice time, AP time or game time.

Improper Language

Cursing is not acceptable and each coach of the particular individual will take disciplinary action as deemed proper.

Returning Equipment

All equipment has a price and will be returned. If this procedure is not met the student may be dismissed for further athletic participation or other privileges may be taken away.

Travel

The school provides travel to and from athletic events away from home. Participating athletes are expected to use the transportation both to and from the event, and any deviation from this procedure should be cleared with the coach and principal in writing. Only a parent or guardian will be allowed to take his/her child home from an event. Alternate Travel forms must be filled out and turned into the Principal 24 hours in advance for approval. This form can be printed off the website. Any athlete leaving without approval will result in a game suspension and will adhere to the punishment phase.

Theft

Student athletes engaging in theft will be subject to dismissal for one calendar year. The student athlete may also be subject to sanctions outlined in the Student Code of Conduct depending on the surrounding the offense. Prosecution is an option.

Quitting

If a student quits, during a sport or off-season, without any prior notice to the coach, the student will be out of athletics for the remainder of the semester. To be reinstated, they must meet with the A.D. and head coach of that sport. All athletes will go through one semester of off-season before being reinstated. A student will be given four consecutive days at the beginning of each season to decide whether they would like to continue in that sport without consequences. Move in students will be under consideration by the A.D.

Detrimental Substances

Tobacco, alcohol, and drugs have no place in the life of an athlete and will not be tolerated. Disciplinary actions for the use and possession of substances on school grounds and at non-school activities will be taken in accordance to the substantiality of proof. All student / athletes will be subject to Random Drug Testing. Disciplinary actions for the use and or possession of substances at school activities will be taken in addition to discipline mandated by the school administration as follows:

Tobacco / Alcohol

First offense: For Tobacco / Alcohol use reported by the proper authority, an athlete will have 20 miles of conditioning and a game suspension.

Second offense: For Tobacco / Alcohol there will be a 1 semester suspension and a 30 mile entry process

Third offense: For Tobacco / Alcohol will result in removal from the Athletic Program.

Drug Possession Charges

First offense: For Drug possession, the student athlete will be dismissed from all athletic teams until charges have been settled with the County Sherriff's Dept. and the School District Student Code of Conduct. There will still be 30 mile entry process.

Second offense: The athlete will be suspended for a full year and will undergo an evaluation process from the Athletic Director for further representation as an Athlete

If consumption or usage occurs during school events, students will be subject to state and local chapter 37 guidelines in regard to AEP and the Discipline Committee may decide on additional punishment.

Social Media Charges

There will be NO personal attacks from player to player or the program. Anything that would embarrass or break down the team is unacceptable. If it affects Trojan Pride then it is wrong. This will result in immediate action referred to the punishment phase. This is to include vulgar language, posting of profane actions, videos or images on social media. Proof must be brought to the AD/Coach.

Grades

Grades will be enforced at all times. They will be checked at progress time and any time we feel necessary. If an athlete has consistent problems with grades the parent will be contacted and a contract will be drawn up for possible removal at the end

of the semester. The athlete will also be under mandatory study hall if expectations are not met in the classroom. Athletics is an HONORS CLASS!!

Study Hall

Study hall will be enforced with the **Ladder of Success** protocol. If study hall is missed, there will be disciplinary action taken. This may be from physical to suspension from a game. Study hall is offered daily before practice for 35-45 minutes.

ISS Placement

All student athletes are required to practice while in ISS.
Game Day ISS will result in no playing time and will be not allowed to travel nor attend the game at home as well.
Game Day ISS will result in the make-up conditioning per the coach.
If it is a diffusing period then it is under review.

DAEP PLACEMENT

Athletes placed in DAEP are at the time removed from team competition and practice. Entry back into the athletic program will result in 30 miles of makeup work during placement. This will follow the Local Student Code of Conduct.

Practice and Attendance Policy

1. If you are going to be late or absent from practice you need to contact the coach. Doctor visits will need a doctor's note, funerals or being sick are excusable if reported to the coach. This can be done by text, email or phone.
2. All athletes who miss all or part of a practice session will be required to do make-up work unless it is due to another school activity. Doing make-up work will keep you from getting behind in conditioning. Tutorial work after school is also grounds for make-up work, it is not punishment.
3. Make-up work will be done at the end of practice attended after the absence or at the end of practice when late. If the athlete has more make-up than can be done in a single session, then the make-up may be spread over several sessions. In order to participate in a contest all make-up work must be completed.

Unexcused absences will result in game time suspension and will be under discretionary review by the coach.

Multi-Student Athletes

The student athlete and parent will communicate with all parties involved for clarity of travel, playing time, event information and keep all stake holders engaged in the events that are coordinated. This can be done with email. This is clearly what we want of our athletes as they are a very large part of our campus success abroad and fully support it. Example for this would be a volleyball, cheer and Ag student that may have multiple events in the week process.

Playing Time

Varsity level - We will play as many players as we feel are ready to compete and put us in a position to win. There are no guarantees at this level. The best players will be competing on game day.

J.V. / FR Level - Everyone will compete in the game, providing they have been to all practices.

Chain of Command – Non-negotiable

Coach-----Coach / Athletic Director-----AD/Principal-----AD/Principal/Supt.

*****If you feel you need a parent conference, your child WILL be in the meeting.*****

Mark Byrd - Athletic Director

S.B. Pierson – Asst. AD Males

Monique Whitaker – Asst. AD Females

Athlete signature

parent signature