

BETTENDORF HIGH SCHOOL GOOD CONDUCT POLICY

The following Athletic and Extracurricular groups are covered by this policy:

Athletics, Cheerleading, Dance/Drill Team, Drama, and Debate.

Effective April 6, 2004

The Superintendent of Bettendorf Schools as well as the Bettendorf School Board has established the rules and regulations for school athletics and other extra-curricular activities. Students wishing to participate in school athletics and activities must meet the requirements established by the School District in order to be a participant. Failure to abide by this policy and the administrative regulations supporting it may be cause for disciplinary measures. Records of violations of the Good Conduct Rule will be kept by the Associate Principal / Athletic Director.

Students who earn the privilege of athletic participation serve as ambassadors of the school district throughout the calendar year (365 days a year). Students who wish to maintain the privileged status of athletic participation must conduct themselves in accordance with board policy and must refrain from activities, which are illegal, immoral or unhealthy.

Any student who, after a hearing at which the student shall be confronted with the allegation, the basis of the allegation, and given an opportunity to respond, is found to have violated the school's Good Conduct Rule, will be deemed ineligible for a period of time as described below:

A student involved in extracurricular activities at Bettendorf High School may lose eligibility under the Good Conduct Rule for any of the following behaviors:

- a. Possession, use or purchase of tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, or illegal drugs or unauthorized possession, use or purchase of otherwise lawful drugs as defined in section 124.101 subsection 5 of the Code of Iowa.
- b. Engaging in any act that would be grounds for arrest or citation in the criminal or juvenile court system, regardless of whether the student was cited, arrested, convicted or adjudicated for the act.
- c. Inappropriate or offensive conduct such as fighting, insubordination (talking back or refusing to cooperate with authorities) hazing or harassment of others.

Local School rules may be more restrictive than those of the IHSAA or IGHSAU

The school Principal may declare a student ineligible for extra-curricular activities if that student displays conduct that is inappropriate as a citizen and/or student of the school and the community.

Upon conviction, confirmation by school officials or admission, the student involved in athletics and parent agrees to participate in screening by C.A.D.S (Center for Alcohol and Drug Services) or another approved agency. Any cost of screening and rehabilitation is the student's responsibility.

1. First Offense- Suspended for 20% of contests in the first sport or activity in which they participate.
2. Second Offense – Suspended from competition for a minimum of 30 days to a maximum time of 6 months.
3. Third Offense – Suspended for one year to remainder of sport eligibility of student. Review board will decide suspension following a hearing.

Suspension will begin with the first contest in which the student is to compete. Prior to the completion of the initial 30 days of the suspension, a Review Board (one administrator, the Athletic Director, student's coach, another coach not in that sport and a guidance counselor will determine whether to lift the suspension or continue with it. Input from coaches and the rehabilitation counselors from intervention programs will be sought. Students who fail to comply with the assessment and subsequent intervention program will remain ineligible and their suspension will be carried out for the maximum six-month period.

To Regain Eligibility:

- A. Must practice during the ineligibility period (applies to 1st and 2nd Offenses)
- B. Must enroll in screening by C.A.D.S (Center for Alcohol and Drug Services) or other approved agency and complete the evaluation as stipulated by coach and Athletic Director. Any cost of screening and rehabilitation is the responsibility of student and /or parents.
- C. Must establish community service with Athletic Director approval.
 - First Offense - 20 hours of service
 - Second Offense – 40 hours of service

- The student has the right to appeal a ruling of the Good Conduct Policy to the Principal within 5 calendar days.
- The penalty may carry over from one sport to the next.
- The Athletic Director reserves the right to determine if the next sport is one in which the athlete would typically be a participant.
- The Good Conduct Policy is a cumulative 4-year policy, which allows for a maximum of 3 incidents.
- **A student may self-report and reduce the period of suspension to 10% on first time offenses**, but must complete the CADS Screening and Community Service components to regain eligibility. Self-reporting must be approved by the Administration.

**Good Conduct Violation-
Length of Suspension**

<u>Sport</u>	<u># of contests</u>	<u>20%</u>	<u>10%</u>
Cross Country	10	2	1
Swimming	12	2.5	1.25
Volleyball	14	2.75	1.5
Football	9	1.75	1.0
Golf	12	2.5	1.25
Basketball	21	4.25	2.0
Wrestling	15	3	1.0
Tennis	12	2.5	1.25
Track	12	2.5	1.25
Soccer	13	2.5	1.25
Softball	50	10	5
Baseball	40	8	4
Cheerleading fall/winter	10/22	2/4.5	1 / 2.25
Goldusters Dance Drill Team	20	4	2
Drama and Debate	Discretion of the Coach/Sponsor and Administration		

ELIGIBILITY RULES:

You are not eligible:

- If you do not have a physical certificate of fitness issued this school year or if you are 20 years of age or over.
- If you have attended high school for more than eight (8) semesters (20 days of attendance or playing or playing in one contest, constitutes a semester)
- If you did not pass the equivalent of 20 semesters hours or more (4 blocks if enrolled in 4 classes, 3 blocks if a senior and enrolled in 3 classes)
- If you were out of school last semester or if you entered school this semester later than the second week of school.
- If you have changed schools this semester. (Except upon change of residence by your parents)
- If you play or practice as a 10,11 or 12 grader on an outside team in the same sport while a member of the school team in that season.

MAC & IOWA STATE ASSOCIATION SPORTSMANSHIP RULES

If you are ejected from a game:

1st Offense – must sit out of next contest.

2nd Offense- must sit out of next 4 contests.

3rd Offense – ineligible for the remainder of that sports season.

The offense and penalty is specific to that sport; it will carry over to the next season if the time period requires such a penalty.