

ATHLETICS

ELIGIBILITY FOR CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

It shall be the policy of the Board of Education that, in order to be eligible for participation in cocurricular activities, students will follow the IHSA guidelines for eligibility. In addition, a student must be passing a minimum of 70% of the classes they are currently involved in. Students who are suspended from school will not be allowed to take participate in co-curricular contests or practices the day of the suspension. "Co-curricular" Activities apply to the following (but are not limited to) and will need to ascribe to the policy above and will be assessed on a per week and semester basis. All exclusions from events do not include practices. Included are Athletics, Clubs, Jazz Band, Show Choir, FFA (Includes all events except Greenhand Ceremony and Awards Banquet), Student Council, National Honor Society, Musical, Plays, Math Team, Scholastic Bowl, Talent Search, Class Council (Includes any activity beyond 5:00 p.m.: floats, Prom and Prom Friday), A.V. Crew (Any activity beyond 5:00 p.m. or out of study hall), Model U.N., Poms, Cheerleading, Drill Team, Prom/Homecoming or any Other Courts, MVC Music Festival, Field trips that are not class and grade related (teachers will provide short synopsis of relationship), Office Runners/Student Helpers (*No Failing grades), Music Events Outside of Class. This does not include activities such as: dances, community service, AAUW workshop, etc.

JCHS follows all IHSA rules and regulations governing high school activities. See ihsa.org for complete details on attendance, residency, transfers, participation, etc.

ATHLETIC - VARSITY LETTER

1. First award any sport: Participant receives a letter, sport insert and a service bar.
2. First award this sport (has lettered in another sport): participant receives a foil certificate, sport insert and service bar.
3. Second, third or fourth award in this sport: participants receive a foil certificate and a service bar.

CO-CURRICULAR CODE

PURPOSE

Participation in a co-curricular activity is voluntary and a privilege. Participants involved in the co-curricular program are expected to comply with the regulations of the school, and conduct themselves in a manner that reflects in a positive way on themselves, their school, and the school district. By choosing to take part in co-curricular activities (see page 14 for list), students understand that they will be held to a higher standard of conduct. This code defines the rules for all students involved in co-curricular activities, defines the consequences for those students who violate these rules, and establishes procedures that will ensure fair and consistent enforcement of the code.

PROCEDURES

The following rules apply to the school-related conduct of all students involved in co-curricular activities, on and off campus, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. School related conduct is any conduct that has a direct and immediate effect on the discipline or general welfare of the school or affects the reputation of the school, whether on or off campus. Activities that are a part of a student's grade in a course (e.g. music concerts, Marching Band, etc.) will not be covered by this code.

The following are violations of the co-curricular code that warrant the indicated actions:

1. Use or Possession of Any Tobacco Product including e-Cigarettes

First Offense: Participant will be suspended from participation for a period representing 11% of the scheduled contests for that season. If the 11% is not fulfilled in that season, the suspension will carry over to the next sport season in which the student participates. See completion of carry over suspension.

Second Offense (during the same school year): Participant will be suspended from participation for a period representing 50% of the scheduled contests for that season. If the 50% is not fulfilled in that season, the suspension will carry over to the next sport season in which the student participates. See completion of carry over suspension.

If the student provides the Athletic Director with written verification of counseling, the penalty for the second offense will be reduced to 22% of the contests for that season. Carry-over policies as previously stated will apply.

Third Offense (during the same school year): Participant will be suspended from participation in all contests/competitions/activities for one calendar year from the date of the incident.

2. Use or Possession of an Alcoholic Beverage, a Hallucinogenic or Controlled Substance, or a Look-Alike Drug

First Offense: Participant will be suspended from participation for a period representing 50% of scheduled contests for that season—carry-over policies apply. If the student provides the Athletic Director with written verification of counseling by a licensed drug counseling agency, the penalty for the first offense will be reduced to 22% of scheduled contests for that season—(carry-over policies apply to activities that the student/athlete participated and finished in good standing the previous year.) See completion of carry over suspension.

Second Offense (during the student's high school career): The student, whether in-season or out-of-season, will be suspended from all contests/competitions/activities for one calendar year from the date of the incident.

Third Offense (during the student's high school career): The student, whether in-season or out-of-season will be suspended from all competitions/contests/activities for the remainder of his/her high school career.

3. Conduct Detrimental to the Team/Organization

Conduct deemed by the coach/sponsor or the Jersey Community Cocurricular Council to be detrimental to the team, athletic program or co-curricular program, including, but not limited to any illegal or inappropriate behaviors, will be considered on an individual basis and may result in disciplinary action up to and including removal from the program. Examples of these behaviors include (but are not limited to):

- a. stealing
- b. cheating
- c. vandalism
- d. inflicting or attempting to inflict harm upon the person or property of any student or district employee
- e. the unlawful carrying of weapons or look-alikes
- f. malicious mischief

The Jersey Community Athletic Council, consisting of the principal, the assistant principal, the athletic director and the coaches (or any combination appointed by the principal) shall convene at the earliest possible date following the incident to review the case.

4. Transfer Students

Jersey CUSD #100 retains the right to uphold and/or eliminate any suspension brought with a transfer student from another district.

COMPLETION OF CARRY-OVER SUSPENSION

A student/athlete who violates the co-curricular code of conduct and is given a suspension from participation will serve the suspension during the season in which the violation occurred. If the co-curricular violation occurs at the end of an activity, or during a time that the athlete is not participating in an activity, the suspension will be carried over as follows:

- If the violation occurs at the end of an activity that the student is participating in, and he/she did not complete the suspension, the remainder of the suspension will be served during the next activity in which the student/athlete participates in as long as it is an activity that the student/athlete participated and finished in good standing the previous year.
- If the violation occurred during a time of the year that the student/athlete was not participating in an activity, the student will serve the suspension in his next activity

COMPLETING A SUSPENSION

While serving a suspension the student is expected to be present at all contests and practices involving his/her team or group. If the student does not attend the contest, credit will not be given toward fulfilling the requirements of the suspension. Athletes will not be allowed to dress with the team while serving the suspension.

DRIVING TO AND FROM PRACTICE

An activity bus will be provided to take students to practices located off campus. A bus can also be provided to bring students back to the high school following practice. Students will be allowed to drive to practice if all the proper paperwork is filled out and on file. Forms will be available at parent meetings. Forms are also available for non drivers to ride to practice with other students with parent permission.

COACHES/SPONSORS RULES

All coaches will have a parent meeting at the beginning of their respective seasons. In addition to general rules in the agenda book, a coach or sponsor may establish rules specific to their sport or activity. All rules must be approved by the

Athletic Director and administration.

ADMINISTRATION OF CODE

This code will be administered by the members of the high school administration. Reports will be accepted from police, any JCUSD#100 employee, the offender, and/or the offender's parent/guardian. No other reports are accepted including social media. However, any social media report received will be reports to the student's parent/guardian.