

**COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT 200
CO-CURRICULAR CODE – OFFICE COPY (RETURN SIGNED)**

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____

TELEPHONE _____ YEAR IN SCHOOL _____

I. STATEMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

Participation in activities is a significant component of a high school student's development. Through participation, students develop many life long skills and positive values. These include cooperation, leadership, healthful living habits, self discipline, integrity, teamwork, citizenship skills and respect for rules and regulations. Participating in co-curricular activities is a privilege. This privilege asks students to meet certain expectations beyond those found in the traditional classroom situation. These expectations are reflected in the Co-Curricular Code. Evidence suggests that abuse of tobacco, alcohol, steroids, and other illegal drugs usually takes place away from the school setting. Wheaton Warrenville South strongly discourages students from attending parties and other situations where these abuses take place. Students involved in co-curricular activities should not jeopardize their individual or team reputation by attending these functions. Further evidence suggests that students are most successful in avoiding drug/alcohol abuse when students, parents, school personnel, and the community are working together and have consistent standards. These standards should include support and responsibility. If adolescents need help, it is the responsibility of the home, school, and community to provide that help. At the same, adolescents need rules and regulations by which their actions are guided. When rules are violated, students should be responsible for their actions.

RULES FOR PARTICIPATION IN CO-CURRICULAR PROGRAMS

II. APPLICATION : THIS CO-CURRICULAR CODE SHALL APPLY TO ALL STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATE IN EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES. THE CODE IS IN EFFECT FOR ONE CALENDAR YEAR.

The Co-Curricular Code-Parent Permission Form is to be signed by a parent (guardian) and participant prior to his/her participation. The commitment that those signatures represent will remain in effect for one calendar year from the date of signing. In order for the individual to participate after that date, the participant must once again sign said form, which in turn will commit the individual for the next calendar year.

III. VIOLATIONS OF THE CO-CURRICULAR CODE

Violations are accumulated throughout a high school student's attendance at District 200 high schools. Students who violate the code must enroll in and complete the steps for re-entry and remediation as outlined in a required parent conference through the student support team to satisfy the terms of the co-curricular code. Students who are serving a code violation must begin and complete the entire season during which the suspension is served. If a student is dismissed from the team/activity or quits the team/activity during the period of their suspension for a code violation will continue to the next sports sport/activity season in which the student participates.

IV. ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SHALL BE A VIOLATION OF THIS CODE:

1. Possession or use of tobacco products.
2. Participants shall not possess, actively seek, solicit, supply or be under the influence of tobacco, alcohol, steroids, or other illegal drugs, look-alike drugs, or possess drug related paraphernalia.
3. A participant in co-curricular activities will not attend or host a party or the participant's parent(s) (guardian) or family members will not host a party for high school students at which alcohol, tobacco or any controlled substances are provided or at which the use of any such substances is permitted. (See attendance policy below)
4. Theft, possession of stolen property, or destruction of private property.
5. Criminal acts or serious acts which are determined by the Athletic Director, Activity Director and/or Dean to be detrimental to the individual, the coach, the team, or the school.
6. This list includes, but is not limited to the stated violations. Other acts may be considered violations to the code.

V. CONSEQUENCES FOR VIOLATION OF THE CO-CURRICULAR CODE

A. FIRST OFFENSE (Competitive Sports and Activities): The student suspension is 20% of the competition or performance dates in which the student is a participant. The suspension will be served during the present activity or the next activity in which the student chooses to participate.

FIRST OFFENSE (Non-Competitive Activities): The student suspension is 20 % of season in which the student is a participant. The suspension will be serve during the present activity or the next activity in which the student chooses to participate.

School Approved Assessment/Remediation Program: Students will have the opportunity to reduce their first offense suspension to 10% of the competition or performance dates in which the student is a participant. Students must enroll in and complete an approved assessment/remediation program and follow the recommendations of the program. Failure to enroll and or comply with the recommendations will result in continued suspension of 20% of the competition or performance dates

Voluntary Admission (1st offense only): If a student seeks out a coach, sponsor or appropriate school official to admit to a code violation, the admission will only be considered voluntary if it occurs prior to any knowledge of the incident by the police or school personnel. A student who voluntarily admits their 1st code violation may have consequences waived.

Attendance: A participant who violates IV 3. above and for whom there is deemed sufficient proof of non-use, shall be suspended for one contest or one week, whichever is appropriate, for the sport/activity.

A 2nd attendance offense has the same consequence as a 1st offense involving consumption.

B. SECOND OFFENSE (Competitive Sports and Activities): The student suspension is 50% of the competition or performance dates in which the student is a participant. The suspension will be served during the present activity or the next activity in which the student chooses to participate.

SECOND OFFENSE (Non-Competitive Activities): The student suspension is 50% of season in which the student is a participant. See Table 2 for activity/performing arts participation. The suspension will be served during the present activity or the next activity in which the student chooses to participate.

C. THIRD OFFENSE: The student will be suspended from participating in athletics/activities for one calendar year. Re-entry to activities will be subject to a meeting with appropriate school personnel.

D. FOURTH OFFENSE: The student will be permanently suspended from participating in athletics/activities for the remainder of their high school career.

E. The student involved in both category activities will be subject to the penalties of both activity groups

F. Violations are cumulative throughout the student's high school career.

G. FOR ANY CODE VIOLATION: A meeting involving the appropriate school personnel must be attended by the student and his/her parents/guardians to be reinstated in school activities. Students and parents should review the code violation procedures in the Student Handbook.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Student Signature _____ Date _____