

Students

Suspension from Interscholastic Athletics

General Policies, Procedures and Responsibilities of the Student-Athlete

While the interscholastic athletic program serves as an arena for student athletes to display their talents, student athletes must, in turn be willing to assume certain responsibilities that accompany this privilege. Student athletes continually serve as a reflection of their coach, team, family, school and community. Student-athletes are expected to make responsible decisions about their behaviors. If they choose an inappropriate or unacceptable behavior, the stated consequences will be placed in effect.

Appropriate Behavior

Student-athletes will be expected to:

1. Conduct themselves as ladies and gentlemen at all times, both on and off the playing field.
2. Attend all practices and contests. Consequences of absences other than illness, family emergency or unavoidable school-related conflicts, will be made known by the coach at the beginning of the season.
3. Stand at attention during the national anthem.
4. Travel to and from contests on the team bus accompanied by the coach.
5. Refrain from social interaction with non-participants during contests.
6. Represent their school with pride and dignity.

All CIAC eligibility rules, Board of Education policies and student handbook policies will be strictly adhered to and enforced during the season.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

1-21b Smoking prohibited in certain places.

10-19 Teaching about alcohol, nicotine or tobacco, drugs and acquired immune deficiency syndrome. Training of personnel.

10-154a Professional communications between teacher or nurse and student. Surrender or physical evidence obtained from students.

10-220b Policy statement on drugs.

10-221(d) Boards of education to prescribe rules, policies and procedures re sale or possession of alcohol or controlled drugs.

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21a-240 Definitions dependency producing drugs.

21a-243 Regulation re schedules of controlled substances.

53-198 Smoking in motor buses, railroad cars and school buses.

Federal Regulation 34 CFR Part 85 Drug-free Schools & Communities Act.

New Jersey v. T.L.O., 469 U.S. 325 (1985)

Veronia School District 47J v. Acton, 515 U.S. 646 (1995) *Board of Education of Independent School District No 92 of Pottawatomie County v. Earls* 01-332 U.S. (2002)

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