

Interboro School District Code of Conduct

Student Responsibilities

The Interboro School District recognizes the vital role athletics; student government and other activities play in promoting the physical, mental, social, emotional and moral development of its students. Involvement in these activities affords students the opportunity to gain valuable experiences and insights into teamwork, self-discipline and life itself. The high profile status of these activities gives many students a chance to experience success and develop confidence and self-esteem. Participants often earn the respect of their fellow students and are viewed as leaders within the school society. It is important to note, however, that while education is a right, participation in co-curricular activities is a privilege, and along with that privilege are certain concomitant responsibilities. When a student joins an activity and decides to represent his or her school, the student also agrees to accept the rules, regulations and responsibilities as set forth by the school district. Before joining any team or club, students and their parents are required to read the rules and regulations contained herein.

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1. Students are accountable to the rules and regulations set forth in the student handbook. These include, but are not limited to, all rules and regulations set forth by the PIAA and the Interboro School District regarding attendance and eligibility.
2. Academic and disciplinary requirements of the Interboro School District supersede participation in extracurricular activities, including athletic practices, contests, and social activities. If a teacher deems it necessary for a student to miss an extra or co-curricular activity, he or she shall contact the activity sponsor or coach. If the matter cannot be resolved the teacher shall contact the school principal or athletic director.
3. Any student who is ill and not in school by 10:30 a.m., may not attend or participate in any after-school activity that day. This includes games, practices, rehearsals, performances, as well as dances and proms. Exceptions will only be made for doctor's appointments, college visitations, funerals, or other emergencies.
4. Any student who discontinues his or her participation in any sport or other co-curricular activity during a season or who is removed from any sport or other co-curricular activity will not be allowed to engage in any other without the consent of all coaches and/or sponsors involved.
5. The school principal shall have the authority to exclude or suspend a student from membership or participation from any co-curricular activities who because of his or her conduct fails to represent the Interboro School District in a proper manner. Examples of such conduct which could result in exclusion or suspension from membership/participation in co-curricular activities include, but are not limited to:
 - a) Disrespectful conduct toward fellow students or school personnel.
 - b) Disrespectful conduct toward coaches, officials, sponsors, students from other schools, or the public.

c) Chronic violation of school rules (lateness, truancy, etc., misconduct on field trips or buses).

6. Any student suspended or removed from any activities or team will not be permitted to represent the school in any post season contests, sporting events, All Star Games, or other activities.

7. Students who are participants in co-curricular activities will be suspended from those activities, including membership on any teams, for a period of not less than (90) calendar days or the remainder of the school year, as proscribed by the school principal, if found to have committed any of the following:

- a) Breaking into a school building.
- b) Theft or destruction of personal, public, or district property.
- c) Possession of a weapon.
- d) Conviction of any criminal offense.
- e) Admission to the commission of any criminal offense.
- f) Possession, selling, providing, or use of alcohol, steroids or other drugs on school property.
- g) Engaging in any misconduct, activity or behavior that is disruptive to the school environment.

8. Students who are 1st time offenders of this policy may gain reinstatement to all activities, including the proms and graduation, after 45 days and completing an educational project that includes 40 hours of community service, attending 3 – 5 self-help meetings and cooperating with the recommendations of the Student Assistance Team. Students found selling or conspiring to sell drugs and/or involved in other more serious offenses may not be eligible for this program.

9. Students who are involved in incidents that occur after May 1st and prior to the end of the school year may take advantage of the 1st Time Offenders Program throughout the summer. Students not electing the 1st Time Offenders Program and multiple offenders will have their suspension carry over into the next school year or with the first official PIAA practice date in August for fall sport participants.

10. In the case of repeat violations during the same school year, the student will be suspended from participation in all school activities including Proms and Graduation for that year. Our co-curricular program has long been a source of joy and pride for our school and community. We commend the efforts of all those young people who have chosen and will continue to choose to represent themselves, their parents, their school and community. On and off school property you are a role model for others.

I have read and understand the Interboro School District's Code of Conduct for athletes.

Student Name (Printed): _____

Student Name (Signed): _____

Parent Name (Signed): _____