

**Wheatland Union High School**  
**2020-2021**

**Student and Parent Athletic Handbook**



## **Philosophy of Student Athletics**

The Wheatland Union High School District recognizes the importance of athletics as an integral component of a student's complete educational development. As such, we believe that all students should have an opportunity to participate in some form of interscholastic athletics and that such participation should encourage positive scholastic and social growth and achievement. All participants and teams will represent the school and community in a positive manner and will reflect the dedication and hard work that will be required to compete and be successful. Success will not be measured by records that are achieved by teams or individuals, but rather by the knowledge that each participant gave his/her best effort and prepared for each contest to the best of his/her ability. The Wheatland Union High School District realizes that an effective interscholastic athletic program is the product of responsible cooperation between its four major components: the student-athlete, the coaching staff, the parents, and the site/district administration.

Student participation in athletics is a privilege. As a student-athlete one is expected to conduct oneself in an exemplary manner at all times. We expect our student-athletes to abide by a code of conduct honoring the PIRATE values of **"PERSISTENCE, INTEGRITY, RESPECT, ATTITUDE, TEAMWORK, EXCELLENCE, AND SCHOLARSHIP"** or as we refer to it here at **Wheatland Union High School, "HONOR THE CODE"**. Furthermore, as a result of participation in organized team sports, we believe our students should strive to become exemplary representatives for our school and communities.

All Student-Athletes will abide by the Butte View League, the Northern Section, and the State CIF rules.

## **Athletic Clearance**

All students wishing to participate in athletics must register and complete athletic clearance on-line. To begin process go to [www.athleticclearance.com](http://www.athleticclearance.com), and choose CA to begin process.

No student will be allowed to practice or participate until the following is completed:

- A Health History and Physical Examination
- Parent Permission Form
- Proof of Insurance
- Signature of parent and athlete acknowledging the reading and understanding of the:
  1. WUHS Athletic Handbook
  2. Agreement to Participate
  3. Concussion Awareness
  4. Statement of Consent
  5. Student-Athlete Drug Testing Procedure
  6. Sudden Cardiac Arrest Awareness
- Confirmation of general, academic, and residential eligibility by the athletic director
- Other required school specific forms
- All school and athletic fines paid

## **Athletic Awards**

Only athletes participating in approved CIF league sports and School Board approved non-CIF Sports are eligible to receive any awards through the athletic department (this includes block letters, participation certificates, etc.).

## **Sportsmanship**

Interscholastic athletic competition should demonstrate high standards of ethics and sportsmanship and promote the development of good character, teamwork, and other important life skills. In addition to our own "Honor the Code", we feel all student-athletes reach their highest potential in sports when participants are committed to "Pursuing Victory With Honor," a code of six core principles which applies to all student-athletes in California and has been adopted by the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF). These six principles include trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and good citizenship. From these six core principles, a set of specific rules has been established by each coach. Specifically, participants are expected to:

- Help us make visitors feel welcome with friendly and courteous treatment.
- Accept the rules of the contest, decisions of the coaches and officials, and directions from personnel on duty with a positive and cooperative spirit.
- Be friendly and positive with their behavior, including comments and gestures.
- Refrain from rude remarks, insults, profanity or comments which reflect negatively on any person's race, sex, religion, ethnic origin, sexual preference, age, handicap, school community or esteem.
- Accept victory and defeat graciously.

Athletes must understand that compliance with the standards of good sportsmanship is required regardless of the particular situation and violation can result in school and athletic consequences. Athletes or coaches who are ejected from an athletic competition will be disqualified from participating in the remainder of that contest and will not be allowed to attend the next athletic contest.

## **Citizenship**

Participants are expected to maintain excellent citizenship. Individual behavior standards should be of the highest quality so as to not adversely reflect on their teams or school, including behavior in classes, rallies, assemblies, athletic events, and in the community. The expectation is that student-athletes will develop a personal code of conduct consistent with the time-honored values of sportsmanship, scholarship, integrity, commitment to self and team, and respect for self and others. Violations can result in team and school consequences, including removal from the team.

## **Expectations of Parents/Guardians**

The role of the parent in the education of a student is vital. The support shown in the home is often manifested in the ability of the student to accept the opportunities presented at school and in life. Trustworthiness, citizenship, responsibility, caring, fairness and respect are lifetime values taught through extracurricular activities. These are the principles of good sportsmanship and character. With them, the spirit of competition thrives; fueled by honest rivalry, courteous relations and graceful acceptance of the results.

### **APPROPRIATE CONCERNS TO DISCUSS WITH COACHES:**

It is very difficult to accept that your child may not play as much as you may have hoped. Even though non-varsity levels are developmental in nature equal play time should not be an expectation. Coaches use their experience and expertise to make judgment decisions based upon evaluation of practice performance and what they believe to be in the best interest of all athletes in their program. The potential play time should be clearly communicated with your student-athlete after they make the final roster. Suggesting ways to help your student-athlete improve and any concerns about your student-athlete's behavior and/or academic progress should be discussed with your student-athlete's coach.

In addition, coaches in some athletic programs may expect athletes to participate in activities during the offseason, including the summer, which may be in conflict with planned family activities. When this occurs, it is expected that this conflict in schedules needs to be communicated with the coach at least two weeks prior to the event.

### **ISSUES NOT APPROPRIATE TO DISCUSS WITH COACHES:**

Playing time, play calling, game strategy, and other student-athletes are items left to the discretion of the coach.

As a parent of a student at our school, as well as all spectators, you are responsible to:

- Realize that extracurricular activities are part of the educational experience and the benefits of involvement go beyond the final score of a game.
- Encourage our students to perform their best, just as we would urge them on with their class work.
- Participate in positive cheers that encourage our student athletes and discourage any cheers that would redirect that focus – including those that taunt and intimidate opponents, their fans and officials.
- Learn, understand and respect the rules of the game, the officials who administer them and their decisions.
- Respect the task our coaches/advisors face as teachers and support them as they strive to educate our youth and your children.
- Respect our opponents as students and acknowledge them for striving to do their best; treat them with courtesy.
- Develop a sense of dignity under all circumstances.

## **Expectations of Spectators**

Spectators, which includes students, parents, and other community members, are an important and integral part of all athletic events. Spectators serve to validate the positive values learned through athletic experiences, and to support the personal efforts and successes of individual athletes. Occasionally, the excesses of spectator behavior can unnecessarily taint the activities at an athletic event. What follows is an effort to provide clarity about inappropriate behavior, and about the consequences of such behavior.

Examples of inappropriate spectator behavior include:

- violence
- verbal abuse
- vandalism
- the throwing of objects
- obscenity or obscene gestures
- possession or use of tobacco, drugs, alcohol, or other illegal substances
- harassment of game officials, coaches, or players
- coaching as a spectator

The school administration, security, and supervision staff is responsible for enforcement of appropriate behavior at all activities, including off-campus facilities. Per Penal Codes 415.5 and 626.7, and Education Code 44811 inappropriate spectator behaviors, whether by students or adults, shall be cause for immediate removal from the event. A spectator who is ejected from an event may not be allowed to attend one or more following contests of that same sport. A pattern of these behaviors will result in additional banishment from contests, up to being barred from all future events in both this and all other sporting events.

## **School Attendance**

Wheatland Union High School recognizes the importance of school attendance and expects student-athletes to establish good attendance habits.

**Non-attendance for any part of the school day on the day of a game, without prior permission, prohibits you from participating in an athletic contest.** If a student-athlete is required to miss any part of school on the day of an athletic event, the student-athlete must be cleared by a parent/guardian note or phone call through the main office **at least one day prior to that absence**. If an emergency arises, call the attendance secretary immediately and leave your name, the student-athlete's name, and the emergency that necessitates arriving at school late. When arriving at school, the student-athlete must bring verification of the emergency to the main office. The principal or designee may review any extenuating circumstances and make a determination as to eligibility to participate.

## **Truancy**

The school administration will have sole authority in determining if the absence is a cut. Acts of truancy may result in an athlete being ineligible to participate in contest(s) and/or removed from the team.

## **Practice Attendance**

Student-athletes who participate on an athletic team are expected to make a commitment to the team and maintain good attendance and are expected to attend all practices and contests unless they are absent from school due to illness or are excused by the coach. Student-athletes are expected to communicate directly with the coach when they cannot attend practice. Unexcused absences from practice or failure to maintain good school attendance may be cause for removal from the team. Coaches may adopt additional rules for practice and contest attendance.

## **General Eligibility Requirements**

From the date first enrolled in high school, a student can only compete in athletics for eight consecutive semesters (4 years). (CIF Bylaw 204)

No student whose 19th birthday is attained prior to June 15 shall participate or practice on any athletic team. A student whose 19th birthday is on June 14 or before is ineligible for athletics. (CIF Bylaw 203)

## **Residential Eligibility**

A student has residential eligibility upon initial enrollment in the ninth grade of any California Interscholastic Federation high school. Ninth through twelfth grade students who transfer without a valid change of residence with their parents/guardians may be given a 30-day sit-out period or have limited eligibility for one year from the date of transfer in the sport(s) they have participated at their former school. Any evidence of undue influence (recruiting), academic ineligibility at a previous school or disciplinary reasons for a transfer will impact eligibility at the new school.

All students NEW to a school (except freshmen enrolling for the first time) must fill out CIF **Form 207** Athletic Transfer Eligibility Application & **Form 510** Pre-Enrollment Contact Affidavit before they can participate in a sport. These forms can be found on the CIF web site: [www.cifns.org](http://www.cifns.org) under the category of transfer eligibility or may be obtained in the Athletics Office.

The California Interscholastic Federation requires that students who participate on an athletic team generally must be living with parents or legal guardians who reside within the school's attendance boundaries. All exceptions to this rule require that special permission be given by the CIF Section Commissioner and that forms and letters of approval be on file before a student can be declared eligible. Questions about these exceptions should be addressed to the athletic director or the administrator in charge of athletics.

Because the penalty for allowing an ineligible athlete to participate is severe (the team must forfeit all the contests in which the athlete participated), any athlete living outside the school's attendance area must notify his/her coach of his/her residence at the beginning of the season so that the coach can make sure that all the appropriate forms and approvals are on file. (CIF Bylaw 206).

Any student whose address has been falsified or provides other fraudulent information to achieve residential eligibility will be declared ineligible for all interscholastic athletic competition

for a period of one year from the date the infraction is verified. If a student and his/her parents move out of the attendance area but the student remains at the school, the student will maintain eligibility but must immediately report his/her change of residence to the Athletic Director.

### **Academic Eligibility Requirements**

To encourage and promote academic excellence, all students participating in extracurricular activities shall meet the following requirements as established by the Wheatland Union High School District.

**You must have at least a 2.0 GPA and making positive progress toward graduation in order to participate.** This takes effect seven (7) days after each quarter grading period is completed.

**Freshman Eligibility:** All Incoming freshmen are eligible beginning in the fall of their 9<sup>th</sup> grade year and are held accountable from thereon to maintain a **2.0 GPA and making positive progress toward graduation in order to participate.**

- **Explanation of Eligibility and Courses Available for Eligibility:** GPA, for purposes of eligibility, are determined by total of grade points earned divided by the number of courses enrolled in. A = 4, B = 3, C = 2, D = 1, F = 0. Summer school or community college grades are acceptable. If in the same class, both grades will remain on the transcript and the grades will be average to determine eligibility.
- **Probation:** All student athletes may petition the Athletic Director and upon final approval of the Principal, be allowed one time per year, a probationary period during their four year high school career. A student may not use probationary periods in consecutive grading periods

As a source of gauging being on track towards graduation, the scale below should be used.

- End of Freshmen year: 60 credits
- End of Sophomore year: 120 credits
- End of Junior year: 180 credits

All students, regardless of previous status must meet the new requirements to be eligible by the first quarter and all grading periods thereafter.

Students declared ineligible may practice with the team only if the coach and athletic director approve. The coach, athletic director, and student will meet to discuss what the student may expect if he/she continues to practice with or remain on the team. Ineligible students may not dress, perform, or be released early from school to travel to contests. Ineligible students may not join another team.

***If a student is a member of a team after tryouts and at that time is academically eligible, the student is prohibited from quitting the team if he/she becomes academically ineligible (but eligible for a probationary period) to avoid using said probationary period. If the student subsequently fails to participate in any competition, the probationary period will be granted and recorded as well. In addition, if a student is academically ineligible on the first day of practice of a sport and declines to use his/her***

***probationary period (if qualified), then the student will not be allowed to join the team if becoming academically eligible at the next grading period.***

The Athletic Director will ensure that transfer students are held to the same eligibility standards as students within the District and are consistent with CIF Bylaws.

### **Outside Competition**

A student on a high school team becomes ineligible if the student competes in a contest on an “outside” team in the same sport during the student’s high school season of sport. The student’s school team may also be forced to forfeit contests. Please consult your school athletic director prior to participating with a non-school team (CIF Bylaw 600).

### **Transportation**

The coach will determine what type of transportation will be used for away contests:

- If the school provides transportation to and from, team members are expected to go and return on the same bus or with the school arranged transportation. Parents/guardians who volunteer to transport student athletes must provide necessary information and be cleared by the school in advance of trips. Team members may be released to parents or guardians, or to another adult if approved in advance for the return trip.
- If transportation is only provided to the event, it is the parent’s responsibility to provide transportation home.
- If transportation is not provided to and from the event by the school, parents are responsible for arranging transportation on an individual basis. When the parents are providing transportation, the student athletes will be released from class at the designated time and report to the designate location where the coach will see that they are placed under the responsibility of the parents approved to drive to and from the event location. Students are not required to check out with the attendance office when being released from school for an athletic event but must report to the coach who will responsible for checking off whom they will be departing with. Departure times will be given by the coach and/or school for all away athletic competitions.

In the event of an emergency or extenuating circumstances, parents may request that they be allowed to make their own arrangements for transportation for their student both to and from the event. This is subject to administrative approval.

### **Equipment**

The purpose of school uniforms is to identify our athletes as members of a special unified group. The student-athlete is responsible for the care and security of equipment and uniforms issued to them during the season of sport. Students will be responsible for the cost of replacing such equipment and uniforms should they become lost, stolen, or damages. Athletes must wear uniforms or equipment as specified by the coach/athletic director.

## Quitting or Dropping a Sport

A student-athlete that quits a team may not participate in the next season of sport.

**Exception #1:** If the coach and student-athlete mutually agree to the student leaving the team, the student will not be held to this rule upon notification to and approval of the Athletic Director.

**Exception #2:** If a parent pulls their student from a team by notifying the coach, with the coach's approval, the student may return to the team with no penalty.

If the parent pulls the student from a team and the student does not return, they may not participate, or tryout with another team in the next season of sport until the sport they were previously in has ended their season.

## Tryout Period

A student must be athletically cleared by the athletics office prior to trying out for a team. Students who then wish to participate in a given sport will be allowed a tryout, the length of which to be determined by the school administration or designee. A student who has yet to complete their current sport will be given a tryout of equal length at the completion of the current sport.

## Sports Injury

Many new conditioning programs, better medical coverage and improved training methods have greatly reduced the risk of injury. Athletes can reduce the chance of injury through proper training, care of their equipment and obeying all safety rules. However, athletic competition by its nature will put the student athlete in situations where injuries can and do occur. All injuries should be reported to the coach or trainer for immediate evaluation. The coach is then expected to report any serious injury, such as fractures, severe sprains and dislocations, to the office on the district approved Accident Form. If you are excluded from athletics by a doctor you will not be allowed to participate until cleared by the doctor.

## Participation in Concurrent Sports

A student may participate in two sports concurrently if he/she has the written consent of both coaches. The student must designate a primary sport. If a conflict occurs in scheduled events, the primary sport prevails.

## Code of Conduct

Any behavioral offenses resulting in school suspension will result in at least a concurrent equal length suspension from the team. ***The length of the suspension from athletics may be extended, up to removal from the team, depending on the severity of the misbehavior. This determination is within the sole discretion of the school administration.*** A coach has the discretion to impose a more serious punishment, including removal of the student-athlete from the team, with prior approval of the athletic director and administration.

Any athlete cited by law enforcement with a crime off campus, not at a school function, not during school hours, or not during the season of sport may also be subject to the policies of the WUHS Athletic Handbook. Under the sole discretion of the school administration incidents

reported by law enforcement, may be investigated in conjunction with law enforcement and may result in suspension or removal from a team.

### **Bullying, Hazing, Intimidation, and Harassment**

The Wheatland Union High School District believes that all students have a right to a safe and healthy school environment. The District, schools and community have an obligation to promote mutual respect, tolerance, and acceptance. The Wheatland Union High School District will not tolerate behavior related to school activity or attendance that infringes on the safety of any student. A student or students shall not bully, haze, intimidate or harass another student or students through words or actions. Such behavior includes direct physical contact or assault of any form: These may include hitting or shoving, verbal assaults such as teasing or name calling, social isolation or manipulation, cyber bullying, and acts of hazing. Students who engage in bullying related to school activity or attendance are in violation of this policy and are subject to corrective and/or disciplinary action up to and including expulsion (Ed Code 48900; BP 5131.2)

In addition, no person shall illegally discriminate against or engage in harassment/sexual harassment of a pupil because of the pupil's race, sex, gender, sexual orientation, or preference, color, religion, mental or physical disability, national origin, ancestry or ethnic group identification. The Wheatland Union High School District recognizes that harassment of any type is unlawful. If students feel they are the subject of harassment, they should immediately report it to the principal or assistant principal. (AR 5145.3 5145.7; Ed Code 234.1; 212.5 CCR 4916 5 CCR 4621).

***The following offenses and consequences for the use of racial slurs, comments, or posts shall be enforced in addition to any school district consequences:***

***First Offense: 1 Game/ Week Suspension***

***Second Offense: 4 Week/4 game suspension***

***Third Offense: Removed from team for the season.***

Students who engage in any act described shall be subject to appropriate consequence or discipline, up to and including counseling, suspension, expulsion, and/or suspension/removal from the team.

### **Social Networking Policy**

Social Media: Refers to internet-based applications designed to create and share user generated content. Any form of digital magazines, internet forums, web-blogs, podcasts, photographs, video, rating and social bookmarking found on websites or applications such as Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, Tumblr, or others that is open to public viewing is considered to be social media. As the user of these platforms, student-athletes are expected to conduct themselves responsibly as members of their respective team and the school. Users must understand that any content shared is expected to follow acceptable social behaviors outlined in the Athletic Handbook. Violations of this policy are subject to investigation and sanctions outlined in the Athletic Handbook are also subject to review by law enforcement.

Prohibited Conduct: As a student-athlete, you must accept responsibility for your social media use. It is your job to project the values and responsibilities of the school as a highly visible

member of the school and community as a whole. Any malicious use of social media platforms will not be tolerated. Malicious use may include but is not limited to:

1. Derogatory language or remarks regarding fellow athletes, students, coaches, administrators, faculty, and staff of any school.
2. Demeaning statements or threats that endanger the safety of another person.
3. Incriminating photos or statements regarding criminal behavior, underage drinking, use of illegal drugs, sexual harassment, or violence.

**Consequences for Misconduct:** Athlete will be suspended from all contact with team for a minimum of five days. A repeated violation will result in a minimum ten day team suspension. Based on the severity of any offense, the athlete may be removed from the team as well as additional school consequences being applied.

### **Complaint Procedures/Appeals**

When a situation arises that is of concern to a parent in regard to any team the following procedure should be adhered to:

- First Level: Parents should address the coach directly about problems or concerns (including the head coach if an assistant or lower level coach).
- Second Level: Meet with Athletic Director.
- Third Level: Meet with Principal or designee.

If these meetings fail to result in resolution of the issue, the complainants may appeal in writing to the Superintendent and, after that, to the Board of Trustees.

### **Training Rules and Mandatory Drug Testing**

Coaches support healthy behaviors by all student-athletes at all times. Student-athletes will be held responsible for all training rules while on school grounds, while going to or coming from school, or at a school-sponsored activity. During the officially recognized CIF "season of sport" as defined by CIF Bylaw 511, Section B, student-athletes will also be held accountable for any off-campus violations of training rules.

In addition to the training rules listed below, the Wheatland Union High School District is conducting a mandatory drug testing program for student-athletes. The Governing Board is committed to providing a safe, drug-free school environment to maximize the health and use and drug abuse. To support the district's drug abuse prevention efforts, the Board desires to establish a drug testing program in the district's high schools that will discourage illegal drug use among students and timely identify and refer drug users to appropriate counseling and rehabilitative Services.

All student-athletes participating in interscholastic athletic programs sponsored by the district are required to participate. For further information regarding procedures and consequences, go to the Athletics link on the School website and click on Drug Testing Procedure.

The following information concerning tobacco, alcohol, drug, and performance enhancing drug and supplement use is the policy adopted by the Athletic Departments and the District Administration of the Wheatland Union High School District. It is a policy designed to be supportive and helpful to students/athletes, not just punitive. Students and parents must realize that it is their responsibility to follow this cumulative policy, and repeated offenses during the

season or at off-season team activities will result in progressive consequences to include expulsion by the Wheatland Union High School Board.

A. Any student who is a participant in athletics at Wheatland Union High School is subject to school rules.

B. Students who are guilty of possessing or using tobacco will be suspended from game participation for five (5) consecutive school days effective immediately upon the end of any disciplinary action taken by the school's non-athletic administration. A second violation will result in the student being dropped from the team for the remainder of the season.

With regard to tobacco, should there be a second violation at the end of the season in question, then that student athlete will miss two consecutive weeks of contests at the beginning of the next sport. A third violation will result in suspension from athletic participation for one (1) calendar year beginning from the date of suspension.

C. Students who are guilty of possessing, using or under the influence of illegal substances, drugs, or alcohol will be suspended from athletic participation for two (2) months. In addition, the student athlete must undergo a counseling program with the school's Prevention Coordinator. A second violation will result in the removal from athletic participation for one (1) calendar year.

D. The use of androgenic/anabolic steroids without permission of a licensed physician (as recognized by the AMA) to treat a medical condition, will result in actions as stated above in 4C. (Please read and sign the letter of acknowledgement regarding steroids at the end of this handbook as a pre-requisite to participate in athletics.)

E. An athlete on suspension cannot wear the school uniform, sit on the team bench, or travel with the team.

F. An incomplete suspension will be carried over to the next sport.

The use of drugs, alcohol, performance-enhancing substances, tobacco, nicotine and/or related paraphernalia is not acceptable and will not be tolerated for high school student athletes. Violations of training rules while on school grounds, while going to or coming from school, or at a school-sponsored activity include the following:

- Any student-athlete who possesses, uses, sells, or otherwise furnishes or is under the influence of any controlled substance (or in possession of related paraphernalia), an alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind shall be ineligible for participation in contests for a minimum of 10 school days from the date of the infraction. If the minimum consequence is assigned, during days 6 through 10 of the ineligible period only, the athlete may be allowed to practice with the permission of the coach and administration.
- Any subsequent offense involving drugs or alcohol will cause the student to be ineligible for athletic competition for one calendar year from the date of the infraction and may include a recommendation to expel (practice and off season activities are subject to coach and administrative approval).
- Any student-athlete who possesses, uses, sells, or otherwise furnishes any androgenic/anabolic steroid, synephrine, or any performance-enhancing dietary supplement, or any performance-enhancing supplement without FDA approval (inclusive of the NCAA list) without a written prescription from a licensed healthcare practitioner to treat a medical condition shall be ineligible for one calendar year from the date of the infraction.

- Any student athlete who possesses, uses, sells, or otherwise furnishes tobacco, nicotine and/or related paraphernalia, shall be ineligible for a minimum of 5 school days from the date of the infraction. During the ineligible period the athlete may be allowed to practice with the permission of the coach and administration.
- Any subsequent offense involving tobacco, nicotine and/or related paraphernalia will cause the student to be ineligible for participation in contests for a minimum of 10 school days from the date of the infraction. If the minimum consequence is assigned, during days 6 through 10 of the ineligible period only, the athlete may be allowed to practice with the permission of the coach and administration.

Exception: Days may be counted if the team has a game or is holding an official practice on a non-school day.

If a student is allowed to practice during the ineligible period he/she may not wear a school uniform or otherwise represent a team at any interscholastic contest, or scrimmage against another school, or be released to leave the school early with the team.

A coach has the discretion to impose a more serious punishment, including removal of the student-athlete from the team for training rules violations, with prior approval of the athletic director and administration.

Any student-athlete who has an incident involving alcohol, drugs, performance enhancement drugs, tobacco, nicotine and/or related paraphernalia off campus, not at a school function, not during school hours, or not during the season of sport may receive the same consequence as a student having an incident on school grounds, while going to or coming from school, or at a school-sponsored activity. Training rules violations while off campus, not at a school function, not during school hours, or not during the season of sport may include the following:

- A student-athlete is cited for possession or use of alcohol, drugs, performance enhancement drugs, tobacco, nicotine and/or related paraphernalia by law enforcement.
- A student athlete is observed by a staff member (of the school) using or in possession of alcohol, drugs, steroids, tobacco, nicotine and/or related paraphernalia.
- Parents or guardians of a student-athlete inform the school that their own student-athlete was using or in possession of alcohol, drugs, steroids, tobacco off campus, nicotine and/or related paraphernalia.

NOTE: Any other incidents of student-athletes using alcohol, drugs, performance enhancement drugs, tobacco, nicotine and/or related paraphernalia that are reported to the school may result in the school contacting the parents/guardians and informing them of the information that has been brought to the school's attention. Incidents involving student-athletes that are reported anonymously that happen off campus will not result in an official school investigation.

For any questions, concerns, or clarification of the contents of this Handbook please contact us.

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