

MESQUITE ISD EXTRACURRICULAR STANDARDS OF BEHAVIOR

Participation in extracurricular activities contributes to the development of well-rounded citizens. Mesquite ISD encourages all students to be involved and engaged in extracurricular activities on campus, although they are optional. Since extracurricular activities are optional, those who elect to participate in them will be held to higher standards of behavior on and off campus. Participation in extracurricular activities and organizations, including athletics, school clubs and school organizations, is a privilege, not a right.

All MISD students must adhere to the Student Code of Conduct. All students who participate in extracurricular activities will also adhere to these Extracurricular Standards of Behavior. In addition, MISD athletes will adhere to the requirements of the MISD Drug Testing Policy (varsity athletes only).

Mesquite ISD coaches and sponsors will hold a parent meeting to review team rules and expectations. Parents and students will sign the signature portion of this document to verify that they understand the expectations outlined herein. The student will not participate until this sheet is signed and returned to the coach or club sponsor.

Any student member of an extracurricular organization who represents themselves, or their organization, in an unfavorable, questionable or illegal manner, including electronic media (e.g., websites, social media, digital photos, text messages, or any files accessible through the internet) will be subject to the disciplinary actions determined by appropriate school officials and/or organization sponsors/directors/coaches, including probation or dismissal from the organization.

In addition to all rules, regulations and schedule commitments required by the coach or sponsor of the activity, students shall adhere to the following guidelines in order to continue participation:

- 1. Maintain passing grades.
- 2. Give their best effort and exhibit good conduct at all times.
- 3. Demonstrate respect for coaches, sponsors, teammates, opponents, faculty and students.
- 4. Refrain from hazing.
- 5. Exhibit positive leadership traits and represent their school in a positive manner.

PROGRESSIVE DISCIPLINE CONSEQUENCES

The Extracurricular Standards of Behavior utilizes progressive discipline – a continuum of graduated sanctions – based on varying levels of student misbehavior. It should be noted that some behavior is so egregious that Level 3 Consequences may commence at once. The student's disciplinary history will be taken into account when consequences are issued. Coaches/sponsors will be in communication with the parent regarding discipline infractions and consequences. FAILURE TO ABIDE BY THE MESQUITE ISD EXTRACURRICULAR STANDARDS OF BEHAVIOR MAY RESULT IN DISCIPLINARY ACTION, UP TO AND INCLUDING SUSPENSION OR REMOVAL FROM THE PROGRAM.

LEVEL 1 OFFENSES	LEVEL 1 CONSEQUENCES
Violations of team/club rules & expectations	Counseling with student
 Disrespect to teachers, coaches, teammates 	Parent-student conference
 Missed practice 	Behavior contract
Lack of effort	Loss of playing/participation time
 Not following directives 	Community service
Missed tutoring	Physical conditioning (athletics)
Code of Conduct infractions	Combination of any of the above
This is not a comprehe	ensive list of infractions.



Level 1 Offenses will be handled on a case-by-case basis by the coach/sponsor and will not necessarily result in a documented infraction to the Campus Athletic Coordinator, District Athletic Director or Campus Principal, but require written documentation by the coach and may result in parent conference. Repeated Level 1 Offenses may result in a Level 2 Consequence.

LEVEL 2 OFFENSES	LEVEL 2 CONSEQUENCES
Code of Conduct infractions that necessitate:	Mandatory parent-student conference
• ISIP	Probationary period (6 weeks)
DAEP	Possible removal
Repeated Level 1 Offenses	

If a subsequent Level 2 Offense occurs during the probationary period (or repeated Level 1 Offenses), the student may be suspended or removed from the program. Again, it should be noted that some behavior is so egregious that Level 3 Consequences may commence at once.

LEVEL 3 OFFENSES	LEVEL 3 CONSEQUENCES
Code of Conduct infractions that necessitate:	Suspension for a minimum of 4 weeks
• JJAEP	Campus Athletic Coordinator, District Athletic
Repeated Level 2 Offenses	Coordinator and/or Campus Principal will be notified
Repeated Level 1 Offenses	Parent conference will be held
	Removal from team/club may be implemented

I have read and understand the Mesquite ISD Extracurricular Standards of Behavior. As an MISD extracurricular student and parent/guardian, we agree to abide by the above-stated guidelines. We further understand that removal from the program is possible if the student does not adhere to team rules, the Student Code of Conduct and the Extracurricular Standards of Behavior.

Student Signature	Date	
Parent Signature	Date	