



DUNDEE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Extra-curricular and Co-curricular Code of Conduct

Dundee Community Schools, a member of the Michigan High School Athletic Association (M.H.S.A.A.) and subject to its rules, recognizes that participation in extra-curricular and co-curricular events and contests is a privilege.

Students participating in co-curricular, extra-curricular and athletic activities are expected to behave in a manner that brings only respect and admiration for the student and the school. The student is expected to have full knowledge of the rules and guidelines contained in the Dundee Student Handbook and this extra-curricular/co-curricular Code of Conduct.

The Dundee Athletic Department and Building Administration shall hold those individuals associated with these teams and organizations accountable for their actions according to this policy. (Example: student/athlete in a sport or club, member of a co-curricular or extracurricular organization or activity, manager, statistician personnel, fans, spectators, etc.)

As is a privilege for students to participate or be a spectator at any Dundee Community Schools athletic event, activity, or performance, high standards of personal behavior are required. Any student, Student spectator, or adult spectator can be removed from an event if, in the sole discretion of school officials, their behavior creates a disruption, a negative environment, or negatively reflects on the school district. If such behavior continues those individuals can be restricted from attending future events.

ELIGIBILITY

The primary purpose of the Dundee Community School District is to provide a quality education for every student. The development of a well-rounded student is our goal. Students must show responsibility in the classroom and in the community and school to be eligible to participate in events and activities.

MIDDLE SCHOOL ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

Academic eligibility will be monitored weekly at the Middle School level. To be eligible, a student must be passing all classes. If a student fails to meet eligibility standards at the weekly check on Friday, the student will be ineligible for a minimum of one week and until eligibility standards are met.

HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

Academic eligibility will be monitored bi-weekly and when marking period grades are submitted. To be eligible, a student must be passing (5) of (7) classes and have passed at 5 of 7 classes or 66% of their assigned class load in the previous semester.

A student must have passed 5 of 7

1. If a student fails to meet eligibility standards on the bi-weekly grade checks or report cards, they will be “ineligible” to play until the next check or card marking (min. two weeks).
2. If a student is academically ineligible he/she will practice but not participate in any scrimmages/contests.

RESIDENCY

To be considered for eligibility in athletics, a student must be enrolled and in attendance full time at either Dundee Middle School or Dundee High School, adhering to our attendance and behavioral guidelines. The MHSAA Handbook will control in all situations. The Athletic Director will have the final say on eligibility.

TRANSFER STUDENTS

Transfer students will be eligible according to the guidelines set forth by MHSAA rules. In addition, Dundee Community Schools will enforce upon a transfer student any period of ineligibility to which that student would have been subject as a result of a student or athletic code violation(s) at that student’s most recent previously attended school. Students transferring from a non-accredited high school (i.e. Virtual School or Detention Center), will be required to wait one full semester before participating in athletics.

PAY TO PARTICIPATE FEE

Athletes will have to pay a participation fee for each sport. This fee will be due in the athletic office after cuts have been made. The athletic department reserves the right to withhold participation until payment is received or payment schedule is setup. Individual situations should be addressed with the Athletic Director. The fee for each sport will be set by the Board of Education. ALL PARTICIPATION FEES ARE NON REFUNDABLE. (No refund for quitting, dismissal, moving, injury, etc.)

Currently approved fee schedule

Middle school:

\$75 per Sport/per season

\$150 player year cap

\$300 Family year Cap

High School:

\$100 per Sport/per season

\$250 player year cap

\$400 Family year Cap

SUBSTANCE USE POLICY (alcohol, drugs, performance enhancing substances)

Since a well-trained body is essential to an athlete, use or possession of alcohol, and illicit drugs, along with performance-enhancing substances that are banned by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) is prohibited. Use of these substances not only affects the physical fitness of the user but has a negative effect on one's mental attitude and the mental attitude of one's teammates. The Substance Use Policy is in effect for a continual 12 month basis and covers in and out of school incidents.

Violations include but are not limited to:

1. Incidents on or off school property that are investigated and acted on by the district administration.
2. Judicial determination of responsibility or guilt for any action that violates the Substance Use Policy.

The first Substance Use Policy violation will result in a suspension from regularly scheduled athletic contests of the sport season in which the violation occurred. The length of suspension will be determined by the Athletic Council. The length of the athletic suspension will depend on the severity of the situation. Restorative practices will be considered during this process. A suspension may carry over into the next season of participation depending on the time and severity of the incident.

Any subsequent Substance Use Policy violations can result in suspension from events and/or activities for one (1) calendar year. Voluntarily seeking medical or professional help for substance abuse before getting caught will be considered as a mitigating factor.

SUBSTANCE USE POLICY (TOBACCO, VAPING)

These substances are banned in the student code of conduct and not permitted on school property or the use of on school property or at a school sponsored event regardless of the student's age.

The first violation of this subsection of the substance policy will result in disciplinary action in accordance with the Dundee High School Student Code of Conduct. The Athletic director and building administrator will work together to develop a restorative practice to increase a student's understanding of what they are doing and correct the behavior.

Any subsequent violation of this subsection of the substance policy could result in contest/event suspensions and up to a (½) of season suspension from a sport or organization. The Athletic Council will discuss to determine the specifics of each situation and base decisions on the severity of the situation.

ATHLETIC COUNCIL – The Athletic Council consists of the Athletic Director, coaches and non-coaches and is responsible for upholding the Athletic Code.

ATTENDANCE – Students must be in attendance all day in order to participate after school (practice, games, events, activities). Exceptions for doctor appointments, funerals or school related absences may be made if pre-authorized.

1. In school suspensions: Students may practice but cannot play in contests or events.
2. Out of school suspensions: Students cannot practice, play, perform, or be involved with an activity.

DUAL SPORT – Dundee athletes are permitted under certain circumstances to participate in two (2) sports during the same season. Athletes interested in dual sport participation, need to inquire in the Athletic Office for information. This applies to High School athletes only. Middle School athletes are not permitted to dual sport (per MHSAA rule).

MULTIPLE ORGANIZATION PARTICIPATION – Many of our students will run into situations in which activities, contests, concerts, competition, and practices conflict. The

student may choose which to attend without academic penalty. The district will do everything it can to avoid such conflicts but they will happen from time to time.

DURATION – The Athletic Code is in effect for the entire calendar year.

INTERNET USE – Athletes are cautioned against misusing the internet, both in written postings and in visual (picture) postings. Any behavior that would be unacceptable or improper in person would also be unacceptable and improper and subject to disciplinary action if posted on a website or broadcasted on the internet. School Board policy applies in that respect.

SUNDAY ACTIVITIES – There will be NO Sunday activities involving students unless directed by the MHSAA. Teams will be allowed to practice the Sunday before their MHSAA tournament begins.

TEAM MEMBERSHIP RULES – Practice is mandatory and the athlete is expected to be on time. Extenuating circumstances must be discussed with the coach beforehand. (Extenuating circumstances could include sickness, transferring from another school to Dundee, or conflicting school activities.

TRAVEL – Everyone will go to and return from the game with the team. In the event of extenuating circumstances, another form of transportation may be requested by the parents in writing, providing the situation is discussed with the coach beforehand.

VACATIONS – Athletes may accompany parents on “family vacations” during vacation periods when practice is scheduled. However, their standing within the team will not be guaranteed upon return. During summer vacation there will be no mandatory summer practices, conditioning, weight lifting, camps, leagues, etc. until the official start of the fall sports season determined by the MHSAA.

APPEAL PROCESS

A written appeal to the Principal may be made within five (5) school days of the decision at issue. The Principal will render a written decision within a reasonable time.

MHSAA RULES

MHSAA rules which are more stringent than, or inconsistent with, the policy’s terms shall be enforced.