

CATEGORY I ACTIVITIES

ATHLETICS & SPEECH CROOKSTON HIGH SCHOOL

CHEMICAL ELIGIBILITY

(Penalties for Use and/or Possession of Alcohol, Tobacco, or Other Drugs)

Rule

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Philosophy and Purpose

The Minnesota State High School League and School District 593 recognize the use of mood-altering chemicals as a significant health problem for many adolescents, resulting in negative effects on behavior, learning and the total development of each individual. The misuse and abuse of mood-altering chemicals for some adolescents affects extra-curricular participation and development of related skills. Others are affected by the misuse and abuse by family, team members or other significant persons in their lives.

To participate in the extra-curricular program at Crookston should be considered a privilege. This privilege is extended to the student who is willing to abide by the standards of the School Board and coaching staff. If a student chooses to violate these standards he/she has withdrawn himself/herself from the extra-curricular program for a specified period of time.

1. A student shall not at any time, regardless of the quantity:
 - A. use or consume, have in possession a beverage containing alcohol;
 - B. use or consume, have in possession tobacco; or,
 - C. use or consume, have in possession, buy, sell or give away any other controlled substance or drug paraphernalia.
2. All violations of this policy will require a meeting with the principal or designee and a meeting with a member of the counseling/guidance office.
3. Penalties for Category I Activities
 - A. **First Violation Penalty**

The student shall lose eligibility for the next *three (3) consecutive interscholastic contests or three weeks, 21 calendar days*, whichever is greater, of a season in which the student is a participant.
 - B. **Second Violation Penalty**

The student shall lose eligibility for the next *six (6) consecutive interscholastic contests or six weeks, 42 calendar days*, whichever is greater, in which the student is a participant.
 - C. **Third or Subsequent Violation Penalty**
 - 1) The student shall lose eligibility for the next *twelve (12) consecutive interscholastic contests or twelve weeks, 84 calendar days*, in which the student is a participant.
 - 2) A student who chooses to become a participant in a treatment program may become eligible for participation after a minimum period of six weeks after entering treatment if
 - a) the student is assessed as chemically dependent, and
 - b) enters treatment voluntarily, and
 - c) the director of the treatment center certifies that the student has successfully completed the treatment program.Successful completion of a chemical dependency treatment program will satisfy only the most recent violation. Any other violations for which the penalty has not been satisfied must still be served in full.
 - D. **Applying the Penalty**
 - 1) Penalties shall be progressive beginning with the student's first violation and continuing throughout the student's high school career.
 - 2) Penalties shall be served consecutively.
 - 3) Violation Confirmation Definition: The violation shall be confirmed when the administrator responsible for the athletics/activities program has informed the student that the student has violated a bylaw and is now under the penalty. The notification shall be verbal and also in writing.
 - 4) The student must participate in and compete the entire season in which the penalty has been applied for the penalty to count.
 - 5) A student who is under penalty for a violation of a League bylaw may not join a second sport in the same season in order to fulfill a penalty.
 - 6) A student who participates in both Category I and Category II activities shall serve the penalty prescribed for that violation in both Category I and Category II activities in which the student participates.
 - 7) A student shall be disqualified for all interscholastic contests for nine (9) additional weeks beyond the student's original period of ineligibility when the student denies the violation of the rule, is allowed to participate, and then is subsequently found guilty of the violation.

STATEMENTS TO BE SIGNED BY PARTICIPANT AND PARENT

CATEGORY II ACTIVITIES
ALL EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES
(Excluding Athletics and Speech)
CROOKSTON HIGH SCHOOL

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 - B. use or consume, have in possession tobacco; or,
 - C. use or consume, have in possession, buy, sell or give away any other controlled substance or drug paraphernalia.
2. All violations of this policy will require a meeting with the principal or designee and a meeting with a member of the counseling/guidance office.
3. Penalties for Category II Activities
 - A. **First Violation Penalty**
After confirmation of the first violation, the student shall lose eligibility for *one (1) public performance* in which the student is a participant.
 - B. **Second Violation Penalty**
After confirmation of the second violation the student shall lose eligibility for at least *two (2) public performances* in which the student is a participant.
 - C. **Third or Subsequent Violation Penalty**
 - 1) After confirmation of the third or subsequent violation the student shall lose eligibility for at least *three (3) public performances* in which the student is a participant.
 - 2) If after the third or subsequent violations a student chooses to become a participant in a treatment program, he/she may become eligible for participation after a minimum period of six weeks after entering treatment if
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 - 4) The student must participate in and compete the entire season in which the penalty has been applied for the penalty to count.
 - 5) A student who is under penalty for a violation of a League bylaw may not join a second extra-curricular activity in order to fulfill a penalty.
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* **Special Note:** These provisions apply to all extra-curricular activities locally, whether or not the activities are directly supported and sanctioned by the Minnesota State High School League.

SCHOLASTIC & ATTENDANCE ELIGIBILITY

CROOKSTON HIGH SCHOOL

MINNESOTA STATE HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE

Participation in extra-curricular activities shall be governed by individual school regulations and by MSHSL Rules & Regulations for activities under the League's jurisdiction. Copies of the High School League Rules & Regulations and Crookston High School Activity Rules & Regulations signed by parent/guardian and student must be on file with the Activities Director prior to participating in any school activity.

1. Scholastic/Academic Requirements

A. Mid-quarter Grades

1. To be academically eligible, a student must maintain progress toward successful completion of classes as shown by mid-quarter grades. At the earliest date possible, the principal or designee shall determine all ineligible students and the date on which the ineligibility begins.
 - a) *Students with any incomplete grade shall be ineligible until the teachers issuing the incompletes sign a release form that says the student has changed the incomplete to a passing grade.*
 - b) *Students with one or more F's shall be ineligible for two weeks. After two weeks, the teachers issuing the Fs must sign a release form that says the student is making satisfactory progress. The ineligibility starts the Monday after progress reports are due.*

B. Quarter Grades

1. To be academically eligible, a student must be passing all courses as shown by grades at the end of each quarter. At the earliest date possible, the principal or designee shall determine all ineligible students and the date on which the ineligibility begins.

NOTE: The ineligibility is applied for any quarterly failure even though a passing grade may be earned for a semester.

 - a) Students with an incomplete shall be ineligible until the incomplete is changed to a passing grade.
 - b) Students with one or more Fs are ineligible for a minimum of two (2) weeks. They shall remain ineligible until each teacher issuing an F signs a notice that the student is making satisfactory progress. The ineligibility starts the week of the first contest, not the first week of practice.

NOTE: In the event a student enters a new quarter but no longer has the teacher or class in which the failure occurred the time of ineligibility shall be two (2) weeks only; no "release" required.
 - c) Ineligibility at the end of the school year:
 - 1) The two (2) week period shall apply to any activities which extend beyond the school year. If the activity lasts longer than two (2) weeks, the participant shall be reinstated after two (2) weeks have expired. Any unused portion of the two (2) weeks shall carry over to the next activities in which the student is involved.

NOTE: An activity continuing into the summer shall terminate when the "team" season ends.
 - 2) An ineligible student shall sacrifice two (2) events or activities which occur only in the summer (i.e. summer band). The principal or designee shall make determinations in these situations if there is a question.
 - 3) If a year-end ineligible student fails to clear the ineligibility during the summer, then the student's ineligibility will carry over to the next school year's activities. In this case, the student will be ineligible for two (2) weeks, but not greater than 25% of the season, the two (2) week count to begin on the Monday of the first week in which regularly scheduled contest begin. (Practice scrimmages are not considered regularly scheduled.)

C. Additional Academic Eligibility Requirement

If at any point a student's progress toward timely graduation with his/her most appropriate grade level/class is not reasonably possible because of the deficiency of earned credits and/or the student's current deficient performance, the principal or designee may declare the student ineligible for all extra-curricular activities until such time as the student's record indicates that timely graduation is reasonably possible.

2. School Attendance Requirement

A. Daily Attendance

A student must attend all of his/her classes, except in the case of the following: pre-approved absence, family emergency, or medical emergency, in order to practice and/or participate in a school contest on the same day. The student must present to the principal or activities director a signed statement from the doctor or parent regarding the absence. A student who remains home and misses any amount of class time due to general illness, but later returns to school that same day, may not participate in that particular day's practice or scheduled contest without the consent of the principal or activities director. Students reporting to school or to class after the first 15 minutes without an excused absence will be considered absent and therefore ineligible.

B. Unexcused Absence or Truancy

Unexcused absence or truancy from school or class during the season {Example: Remaining home the morning following an event for the purpose of rest is not an approved absence} will result in:

1. **First Offense:** Suspension for one (1) contest.
2. **Second Offense:** Possible suspension the next two (2) consecutive interscholastic events or two (2) weeks of a season, whichever is greater, in which the student is a participant.

Any student who, under any circumstance, participates while ineligible will have the ineligibility extended for an additional two (2) weeks. If there is ever any doubt, ask the principal or activities director before participating.

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* **Special Note:** Local concerts and other annually stipulated orchestra, band and choir programs can be exceptions from academically based eligibility requirements only. **ATTENDANCE AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE STANDARDS APPLY TO ALL MUSIC ACTIVITIES.**

STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING OF REQUIREMENTS FOR EXTRA-CURRICULAR PARTICIPATION/ELIGIBILITY

Policy Resources List:

1. Minnesota State High School League Policy summary form. (Includes all League stipulations whether or not mentioned in District 593 Policy sources.)
2. District 593 policy for the use, consumption and possession of unlawful drugs, alcohol and tobacco; as they apply to both Category I and Category II activities.
3. District 593 policy for academic and school attendance requirements for extra-curricular participation.
4. It is understood that other student handbook provisions may also affect the status of extra-curricular eligibility.

The signatures below indicate that we have received or know how to access the aforementioned relevant policy/rules information. Further, the signatures mean that we know or should know what is expected of an extra-curricular participant in order to remain eligible and that should violations occur, appropriate consequences will be administered.

Student Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date Signed