

# ATHLETIC / EXTRACURRICULAR CODE OF CONDUCT

PRINT STUDENT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_

ACTIVITY: \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Parent/Guardian and Student:

Participation in Liverpool Central School District activities (athletic/extracurricular) is a privilege, which should elicit great pride in you, your family and your school. A willingness to abide by program regulations and behave as a good citizen is necessary for the success of our student and our programs. You are an example and role model for all the students of the school district. Every student participating in an athletic/extracurricular activity is required to sign this statement of personal commitment. Your signature communicates your willingness to set a positive example, adhere to basic concepts of good citizenship and follow any additional rules and regulations that may be linked to this document. Parent/Guardian signature acknowledges this commitment. When violations occur, the parent/guardian must call the Athletics Office to schedule a meeting to determine the length of the suspension from participation.

Students are expected to attend all of their assigned classes. Any student absent for more than 50% of a school day will need the permission of the Coach/Advisor/Principal to participate on that day. Students absent from school on a Friday may participate on Saturday. Any student suspended either in or out of school will not be allowed to participate during their suspension period.

**BASIC RULE: Never do anything which will have an adverse effect on your ability to participate. Never create an unfavorable impression of yourself, your group or your school.**

This rule is in effect for one year from the signing date, whether school is in session or not, and whether the activity in which the student participates is in session or not.

Violations that will be dealt with by this Code of Conduct include, but are not limited to the following:

1. Use and/or possession of drugs or alcohol.
2. Hosting, attendance, or remaining at parties or activities where illegal distribution of alcohol, drugs or other performance enhancing substances are present and/or used.
3. Use of tobacco or tobacco products.
4. Repeated disregard of school or activity rules.
5. Theft of property.
6. Vandalism or destruction.
7. Lying regarding an alleged violation or failure to cooperate with a District investigation of an alleged violation.

Violation of this code will result in a restriction from participation, a suspension for a period of time, or a loss of eligibility based on the severity of the infraction. A student guilty of breaking any of the rules, will be subject to the following minimum actions:

1. Beginning the date of the offense the student will be placed on probation for one year. The student will be allowed to practice/meet with the team/activity, but will be suspended from competition/performance as outlined below.

a. Interscholastic Athletics/Extracurricular Activities - The competition/performance suspension shall be a number equal to at least 25% of the regular season competition/performance. The competition/performance suspension shall continue into the students next season/activity period, to complete the 25% suspension.

b. For those extracurricular activities whose competition/performance/activity are held on only a single occasion and the student participant violates the extracurricular activities code of conduct, based on the severity of the infraction, such student shall be precluded from participating or attending the extracurricular competition, performance or activity.

2. If a second offense occurs during the probationary period, the student will be allowed to participate with the team/activity, but will be suspended from competition/performance. The suspension shall be a number equal to at least 50% of the regular season/activity period. The suspension shall continue into the student's next season/activity period, to second offense. A conference will be held with the parents/guardians, student, coach/advisor, and school officials before the student is reinstated. Counseling may be recommended.

3. If a third offense occurs during the newly established probationary period, the student will be suspended from participation in any activity for one year beginning with the date of the third offense. A conference will be held with the parent/guardian before the student is reinstated in any activity at a Liverpool School.

4. This does not prohibit the coach/advisor of a specific sport/activity from enforcing their own team/activity rules.

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