

Athletic Participation Information

Prior to being eligible to practice, each student must have a passed physical examination on file (renewable every two years), followed by a yearly interim questionnaire fill out by the parent/legal guardian.

All students are expected to conform to the rules of scholastic eligibility, participation and training as prescribed by the Idaho High School Activities Association, the Nampa School District and the athletic coaching staff. This information will be reviewed at parent/legal guardian preseason meetings.

DISTRICT CODE OF CONDUCT:

Attendance

A student must be in attendance at least ½ day to be eligible to participate in practice or contest.

Substance Abuse

It is the policy of the Athletic Department of the Nampa School District to prevent and prohibit the possession, use, sale, distribution and/or intent to distribute any illegal or controlled mood-altering chemical, vaping paraphernalia or materials, medication, look-alike drug or abuse of a chemical by any student involved in any activity sponsored by the Nampa School District.

Should any member of the school's administration, faculty or coaching staff witness or have evidence of a student's use or possession of, or being under the influence of, any of the previously mentioned substances, that student will be dealt with according to the following procedures:

On the occasion of a first infraction during a scholastic year, the athletic director and head coach will have a meeting with the student and his/her parent/legal guardian. The incident will be reviewed and, if the evidence supports the accusation, the student will be suspended from all competitive events (excluding practices) for a period of 21 calendar days from the time the student has been notified of his/her infraction. Seven days of the suspension shall be waived when the student has completed a Drug and Alcohol Assessment and has taken a course on drug and alcohol abuse arranged by the school counselor or parent. If the course is unavailable, other arrangements will be made. Suspension will be understood to allow the student to practice with his/her team at its scheduled events during the time of the suspension.

On the occasion of a second infraction by a student during a scholastic year, the student will be dismissed from participation in the school's sports programs for the remainder of that school year. The student will be advised of his/her right to appeal. It is to be understood that the initial infraction in a scholastic year carries over into each sport's season of that scholastic year. Thus, an initial violation in either the fall or winter sports programs would form the basis for ineligibility and dismissal in the spring if a second violation occurred at that time.

Should a student decide to submit an appeal, a panel composed of the principal, athletic director and head coach will convene upon the principal's receipt of a written request from the student and parent/legal guardian. This request for a hearing/review should clearly state the reasons why the hearing is being requested. The decision of the review panel after closed discussion shall be final.

As in the case with all students who attend the Nampa School District, students who are found to be in violation of the above policies as they relate to the use/possession of alcohol, tobacco and drugs will be held accountable to the school authorities for their actions will be subject to the same sanctions imposed on all members of the student body for such violations.

Parent/Student Copy

Hazing

Abusive or humiliating tricks or ridicule constitutes hazing. On the occasion of a first infraction during the scholastic year, the coach will handle the infraction with on-court/on-field discipline.

On the occasion of a second infraction, the coach will report the incident to the Athletic Director and Principal. The student will receive two days of in-school suspension and seven days of competition suspension (not including practices). On the occasion of a third infraction, the student will receive five days of in-school suspension and be removed from the team.

Misconduct

Misconduct includes any behavior which does not represent the school or the Nampa School District in a positive manner. Misconduct will be addressed by each coach during their preseason meetings. Any misconduct will result in discipline up to and including dismissal from the team.

Transportation

1. The school district provides transportation for participants to and from the location of the program or activity during the normal school day of 7:30 am to 3:00 pm.
2. The school district will not provide transportation to other high schools within the Nampa School District for activities outside the school day. Football and track teams are exceptions; transportation will be provided for those activities within NSD.
3. When transportation is not provided, school officials and/or coaches cannot help arrange transportation.
4. Participants must be transported by district transportation to and from athletic events scheduled outside the city.
5. Students may ride home from an event with parents if permission is granted by the coach and parents have signed their student out.
6. Particular programs or activities warrant the use of private carriers if the proper owner-operator vehicle form is completed and on file in the Athletic Director's Office.

Photographs

Nampa School District officials, coaches or athletic directors may use photographs taken at activities to promote the program and by signing the Program/Activity Participation and Release Form, I consent to all use of photographs my child.

Academic Eligibility

To start a Season:

To be academically eligible for athletics, a student must receive passing grades and earn credits in the required number of courses during the previous reporting period (grading period immediately prior to the season).

During The Season:

Student - Athlete must satisfy criteria of the grade policy at the appropriate grading periods (progress, quarter, semester) as defined by the AD.

A. Step One: If a student scores below a 2.0 GPA or receives a letter grade of F or I, that student will be placed on Probation (10 school days to improve grades).

B. Step Two: Suspension 1 (10 Days non-compete, can still practice).

C. Step Three: Suspension 2 (10 Days suspension from practice & games).

Rules Addendums, and definitions

Suspension from school means the student cannot practice nor play in games while under suspension. This also includes in-school suspension.

- a. Missed practice is UNEXCUSED when a coach is not notified prior to practice the student will be absent. Penalty is at the coach's discretion.
- b. Tardiness - Penalty is at the coach's discretion.
- c. Students will be considered ineligible until all uniforms and equipment are turned in for a prior sports activity, or fines for replacement value have been paid.

Contact School Athletic Director with Questions.

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