## Plainwell High School Athletic Training Code of Conduct

Participation in athletics is a privilege and as with any privilege it carries with it a great responsibility. We expect our athletes to be the best students in our school; to show not only great ability but great accomplishments. To be a team player, to win with class and to lose with dignity; to expect anything less takes away from the values that high school athletics can teach.

Consequences for behavior code violations may range from contest(s) suspension to removal from the team.

The head coach and/or assistant coach and director of athletics will investigate suspected or reported violations of our training code and/or code of behavior. Athletes have given us their word to follow our code of conduct and to behave in a fashion that brings a sense of pride to our school and our programs.

## I) PHS Athletic Training Rules

Our code of conduct for our athletes is in effect year round and throughout the athlete's career here at PHS. Possession and/or use of all forms of alcohol, tobacco, vapes and drugs or use/abuse of OTC prescriptions is a violation of our training code and as such they will carry the following punishments:

- 1st offense will be suspension from 50% of the scheduled competitions in the sport they are currently participating in and the suspension if not completely served in that season will carry over to the next season the athlete participates in.\*
- **2<sup>nd</sup> offense** will be suspension for 1 calendar year from PHS Athletics and verification that suspended student-athlete has completed an approved cessation program related to their offense.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> offense will be permanent suspension from PHS Athletics.

If there are contests left after the suspension – athletes must continue to practice and attend all team functions as outlined by the coaching staff. He/she must not be found in violation of team rules during the course of his/her suspension.

## II) PHS Code of Conduct

All athletes must follow and obey all PHS School Rules of Conduct. School suspensions or detentions must be served per school rules prior to athletic participation.

Athlete cannot practice nor can he/she compete on the day(s) of **out of school suspension**. Athlete can practice after an **in-school suspensions** but cannot compete on the day(s) of **in-school suspension**.

After school detentions must be served first before athlete can attend practice or contest.

Student-athletes found to be involved with behaviors unbecoming an athlete will be held accountable for those violations. Such violations may be but are not limited to...insubordination, vandalism, hazing, etc. and will be dealt with by the coach and athletic administrator.

Suspensions must be finished in good standing in the season in which they occur including those that carry over to another sport season.

## III) PHS Eligibility Policy

Per MHSAA and PHS requirements a student-athlete must have not received more than one (1) failing grade for each trimester (i.e. must pass at least 5 out of 6 classes) **AND** maintain at least a 1.67gpa on their trimester grades. If the student-athlete does not meet the **trimester standard** they will be ineligible for athletic participation the subsequent trimester.

During the trimester a student-athlete must currently be passing at least five (5) out of their six (6) classes to maintain weekly eligibility.

If the student-athlete does not meet the **weekly standard** they will be ineligible to compete in an interscholastic contest the following week (Monday through Sunday).