

CHEHALIS SCHOOL DISTRICT

Student Athletic Code

The following rules, regulations and procedures have been adopted by the Chehalis School District:

Article I – ELIGIBILITY

A student must meet and comply with the requirements for athletic participation set forth by the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association (W.I.A.A.).

Article II – ATTENDANCE REGULATIONS

A. School Attendance

A student/athlete who is not in attendance for **ALL** of the regularly scheduled classes is not eligible to compete or practice on that day, unless permission is granted through the Athletic Director's office or the Principal's office. In the case of doctor or dental appointments, funerals, school trips, etc., normal attendance procedures are to be followed.

B. Practice Attendance

Prompt and regular attendance at practice is mandatory. A student athlete who is either late or absent, should notify the coach in advance or shall have a valid excuse upon return.

Article III – SPECIAL REGULATIONS

A. General Conduct

A student/athlete is expected to be a good citizen at school and in the community.

B. Training Code

1. The unlawful use, possession or consumption of tobacco, alcohol or controlled substances (drugs) is prohibited. Any student/athlete committing such acts during the sports season will be immediately suspended for the remainder of the sports season.

If the offense occurs close to the end of the season, a student/athlete will face suspension into the next sports season in which he or she participates under the following conditions:

- a. A high school student will be suspended for a minimum of five (5) weeks.
- b. A middle school student will be suspended for a minimum of three (3) weeks.

For example, if a high school student committed one of the above training violations with two week remaining in the season, he or she would also be held out for the first three weeks of the next season in which he/she participates. A sports season starts with the official beginning of practice and ends upon completion of the last scheduled athletic event for which the student is eligible.

2. Under Washington State law, the possession, sale, and/or use of legend drugs including anabolic steroids is prohibited. Legend drugs are defined as prescription drugs that are being used without a prescription. The penalty for the possession, sale, and/or use of legend drugs is suspension for one sports season for the first offense, a twelve-month period for the second offense and permanently for the third offense.
3. Students who commit violations as outlined in item B.1 or B.2, will have no option of returning to the team during the same sports season. In order for the student/athlete to participate the next season (for which they are eligible), he or she will need to satisfy the following requirements:
 - a. Complete a formal assessment with a substance abuse counselor within five (5) school days of the district's written notice of violation.
 - b. Meet with the substance abuse counselor a second time, with a parent or guardian present, to discuss the results of the assessment and recommend treatment.
 - c. If a treatment program is recommended by a substance abuse counselor, the student, parent or guardian will provide written evidence and assurance that the recommended treatment is being followed and complied with.
 - d. If the approved treatment program is not timely followed to completion, the student will be suspended for the remainder of the sports season.
4. Theft of, and/or malicious damage to property of the Chehalis School District, property of another school district, or property of another student at a time when such property is on a school district premises will result in the following discipline:

First Offense: The student will be suspended from participation in any athletic competition (practice is allowed) for a period of ten (10) school days.

Second Offense: The student will be suspended from the team for the remainder of the season.

5. There may be other types of student conduct not covered in the athletic code that calls for disciplinary action. When this occurs, the building administrators and the District Athletic Director will meet to decide on an appropriate sanction.

C. Fees

Students participating in athletic programs will be assessed the established fee for the sport of their choice.

D. Associated Student Body Card

All student athletes at W.F. West High School are required to purchase an ASB card.

E. Insurance

All student athletes must either purchase school insurance or have their own insurance. Every injury must be reported to the respective coach(s) and an accident report promptly filled out and turned in to the Athletic Director's Office.

F. Equipment

All equipment checked out to the student athlete must be properly cared for and turned in promptly at the end of the sport's season. The replacement cost for all lost or stolen equipment will be charged to the student athlete.

Article IV – ENFORCEMENT OF REGULATIONS

In the case of an alleged athletic code violation that may result in the suspension of a student athlete from the team for the remainder of that sport season, the coach will be responsible for meeting with the student athlete and advising the Athletic Director of the infraction and contacting the parents. The coach or other authorized school district personnel shall give written notice of the alleged violation and infraction to the student athlete, with a copy going to the Athletic Director. If an investigation substantiates the allegation, the Athletic Director will impose the defined sanction. If the student athlete feels he/she is not guilty of the code violation, he or she may request, in writing, a hearing through the District Athletic Office. Such written requests must be made with five (5) calendar days of receipt of the written notice of violation and sanction. The Athletic Board will then meet within three (3) school days of receipt of notice of request to hold a hearing and shall render its written decision within three (3) days after the hearing. The Athletic Board shall consist of: (1) District Athletic Director, (2) Principal or Vice Principal for the school involved, (3) A coach not directly involved (appointed from the same school by the District Athletic Director).

The athlete shall not participate in practice or competition until after the Athletic Board issues its decision.

We have read and understand the terms of the Chehalis School District Athletic Code and we agree to abide by its rules and the proper enforcement of sanctions under such code. We also acknowledge the risk of potential serious injury through participation in athletics.

After careful consideration, I agree and give my permission for this student to participate in the athletic program.

Student Athlete Signature: _____ **Date** _____

Parent Signature: _____ **Date** _____

Article V – CHECK LIST NEEDED FOR PARTICIPATION:

_____ Physical Examination	_____ Athletic Code
_____ Insurance	_____ Blue Card (medical procedure form)
_____ Athletic Fee (\$20 per sport)	_____ ASB Card (\$20)
_____ Sport Warning/Safety Agreement	_____ WIAA Requirements Signed
_____ Concussion Awareness Agreement	_____ Running Start (Get form from Athletic Office)
_____ Transportation Fee (\$15 per sport)	

W.F. WEST STUDENTS: All items in the above checklist must be completed prior to an athlete's first day of practice for a given sport. When complete, return all forms to the District Athletic Office at W.F. West High School.

CHEHALIS MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS: All items in the above checklist must be completed prior to an athlete-s first day of practice for a given sport. Please complete all forms and turn them in to the office.