



# Flanagan-Cornell High School

## EXTRACURRICULAR CODE

These rules, regulations, and policies are to be enforced for all students that participate in EXTRACURRICULAR activities. Those activities covered by this document include ALL of the following:

Baseball	Boys Track
Boys Basketball	Girls Track
Girls Basketball	Cheerleading
Boys Golf	Scholastic Bowl
Girls Golf	Volleyball
Softball	Student Council
Football	FFA
FCCLA	Yearbook
Class Officers	
Band activities which are not tied to grades	
Musical activities which are not tied to grades	
(Jazz Band – Madrigals – School Plays – Musicals)	

### **STUDENT-PARTICIPANT**

A boy or girl in grades 9-12 participating in any of the above activities fits into this category and is subject to the rules below. As he/she starts the first day of practice (or participation) in the first activity he/she goes out for or starts his/her high school career. The rules apply in-season, out-of-season, summers, and year-round until the student participant completes his/her career. The penalties accrue throughout the career of the student-participant; the first violation might occur during the freshman year, another offense, as a junior, would be the second offense. The high school career is 8 semesters of participation and/or until graduation day (or in the case of track, baseball and softball, the completion of that sport season, if the season extends beyond graduation.)

## **HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC ELIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

All student-participants must be passing 20 credit hours each week; passing 4 subjects each week and a GPA of 1.0 (D). If the athlete is ruled ineligible, he/she may not participate from Sunday to Saturday. Regarding semester to semester eligibility, students shall, unless they are entering high school for the first time, have credit on the school records for 20 credit hours of high school work for the previous semester, and may not have failed 2 or more classes. Such work shall have been completed in the semester for which the credit is granted or in a recognized summer school program, which has been approved by the Board of Education and for which graduation credit is received.

## **EXTRA CURRICULAR PARTICIPATION RULES**

1. The student-participant shall not use tobacco in any form.
2. The student-participant shall not consume, possess or distribute alcoholic beverages.
3. The student-participant shall not consume, possess, or distribute any narcotics or drugs prescribed to another student.
4. The student-participant shall not attend a function where alcohol is illegally served, present or transported. The student-participant shall not attend a function where other illegal or controlled drugs are in use.
5. The student shall not engage in conduct that constitutes criminal activity.

## **VIOLATIONS AND CONSEQUENCES**

### **I. TOBACCO PRODUCTS (Extracurricular Participation Rule #1)**

#### **A. First Offense – The student-participant will be suspended from extracurricular activities for a period of 10% of the scheduled contests.**

In assessing the penalty, if the number of contests comes to a decimal point less than 0.5, the penalty will be rounded down. If the number of contests comes to a decimal point that is equal to or more than 0.5, the penalty will be rounded up. For example, if 10% of the season is 2.3 games, the penalty will be 2 games. If 10% of the season is 2.6 games, the penalty will be 3 games.

If the remaining contests do not permit the full 10% penalty to be imposed in that season, the penalty will be carried over and applied to the participant's next activity. For example, the penalty is 3 games, but only 2 games remain, the remaining percent will be assessed in the next activity.

If the student-participant quits the next activity, or is removed from the team by the coach, the remaining percent of the original penalty will carry over to the next activity. For example, a student-participant goes out for track to "burn off" his/her penalty, but quits the team (or is removed from the team by the coach), the penalty has not been fulfilled and will carry over to the next activity.

In cases of student-participants that are involved in FCCLA, FFA, Student Council, Yearbook, Band and/or Chorus activities not tied to grades, the penalties will be enforced in terms of months. First Offense will render the student-participant ineligible for 1 calendar month (example: penalty levied on March 2, the student-participant must not participate until April 2).

**B. Second Offense – The student-participant will be suspended from extracurricular activities for a period of 20% of the scheduled contests.**

If the remaining contests do not permit the full 20% penalty to be imposed in that season, the penalty will be carried over and be applied to the participant's next activity. For example, the penalty is 5 games, but only 3 games remain, the remaining percent will be assessed in the next activity.

If the student-participant quits the next activity, or is removed from the team by the coach, the remaining percent of the original penalty will carry over to the next activity. For example, a student-participant goes out for track to "burn off" his/her penalty, but quits the team (or is removed from the team by the coach), the penalty has not been fulfilled and will carry over to the next activity.

**C. Third Offense – The student-participant will be suspended from extracurricular activities for one-calendar year.**

**D. Fourth Offense – The student-participant will be suspended from extracurricular activities for the remainder of the student's high school career.**

## **II. ALCOHOL, CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES, CRIMINAL ACTIVITY**

### **(Extracurricular Participation Rules #2-5)**

**A. First Offense – The student participant will be suspended from extracurricular activities for a period of 20% of the scheduled contests.**

In assessing the penalty, if the number of contests comes to a decimal point less than 0.5, the penalty will be rounded down. If the number of contests comes to a decimal point and is equal to or more than 0.5, the penalty will be rounded up. For example, if 20% of the season is 4.3 games, the penalty will be 4 games. If 20% of the season is 4.6 games, the penalty will be 5 games.

If the remaining contests do not permit the full 20% penalty to be imposed in that season, the penalty will be carried over and applied to the participant's next activity. For example, the penalty is 5 games, but only 3 games remain, the remaining percent will be assessed in the next activity.

If the student-participant quits the next activity, or is removed from the team by the coach, the remaining percent of the original penalty will carry over to the next activity. For example, a student-participant goes out for track to "burn off" his/her penalty, but quits the team (or is removed from the team by the coach), the penalty has not been fulfilled and will carry over to the next activity.

In cases of student-participants that are involved in FCCLA, FFA, Student Council, Yearbook, Band and/or Chorus activities not tied to grades, the penalties will be enforced in terms of months. First Offense will render the student-participant ineligible for 2 calendar months (example: penalty levied on March 2, the student-participant must not participate until May 2).

- B. Second Offense – The student-participant will be suspended from extracurricular activities for one-calendar year.**
- C. Third Offense – The student-participant will be suspended from** extracurricular activities for the remainder of the student’s high school career.

**III. FORGIVENESS CLAUSE (Adopted 6/03)**

If a student violates the code and contacts his/her coach/sponsor or principal within a period of 24 hours of the violation, the suspension is cut in half. \*This only applies to the first offense.

**AUTHORITY FOR DECISIONS**

- A.** Potential violations of the Extracurricular Code will be forwarded to the Extracurricular Code Committee from the Principal, Athletic Director, and/or Coach or sponsor. The Coach and/or Sponsor will be responsible for handling violations that are explicitly covered by the Extracurricular Code. The Coach or Sponsor and the Extracurricular Code Committee shall be responsible for decisions relative to the violation of training rules and administration of consequences that are NOT explicitly covered in the Extracurricular Code. The Extracurricular Code Committee shall consist of the Athletic Director, the Principal, 2 coaches or sponsors, and 1 staff member whose is not an active coach or sponsor. The Extracurricular Code Committee will be selected prior to the beginning of a new school year. Coaches will select the staff member to serve on the Extracurricular Code Committee. Coaches or sponsors on the committee whose participants violate a training rule will not be included in the administration of consequences. An alternate coach or sponsor will be assigned to fulfill their responsibilities in the decision.
- B.** The Extracurricular Code Committee will review all consequences towards student-participants. The Extracurricular Code Committee can review and strengthen consequences for situations not specially covered in the above extracurricular participation rules.
- C.** The following provides a total number to help determine the number of games penalized for each sport:

<b>Football</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Boys and Girls Basketball, Volleyball</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Golf (Varies from year to year) maximum of</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Baseball &amp; Softball (Varies from year to year) maximum of</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Boys &amp; Girls Track (Varies from year to year) maximum of</b>	<b>21</b>

## **EXCLUSION RIGHTS FOR REVIEW**

- A.** A student-participant and a parent of guardian have the right to request a hearing with the Coach, Athletic Director, and the Extracurricular Code Committee within 48 hours of exclusion.
- B.** If unsatisfied with the first hearing, the student-participant and parents have the right to request a hearing with the Board of Education or Board Committee.
- C.** All exclusion rights and privileges of the student-participant shall be similar to those of Board Policy and Flanagan High School Student Handbook.

## **MEETING BEFORE THE START OF SCHOOL**

There will be a mandatory meeting of the coaches, sponsors, and participants before the beginning of school and practices. Parents and/or Guardians are encouraged to attend. At this meeting, coaches and/or sponsors will go over the training rules with the participants (and parents in attendance). If the parent or guardian is unable to attend the meeting the parent or guardian will be required to sign the document in the presence of school officials, during school hours (Principal, Athletic Director, and Principal's Secretary). The parent and participant will sign two (2) copies of the rules, one to be retained by the parent and the other by the Athletic Director.

**SIGNATURE PAGE**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT PARTICIPATION PERMISSION**

I hereby give my consent for \_\_\_\_\_ to compete and participate in extracurricular activities for Flanagan-Cornell High School. I understand that the school will use precautions in protecting players against injury, but that is not legally responsible for any which may occur.

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**STUDENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND APPROVAL OF FLANAGAN-CORNELL  
EXTRACURRICULAR PARTICIPATION CODE**

I have reviewed the extracurricular participation rules involving athletics and activities and agree to abide by the stated rules of the Athletic Director and Coaching Staff. No student-participant will be allowed to engage in an activity until the previous statement is acknowledged and accepted by the student-participant and his/her parent or guardian.

Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_