

CHIPPEWA LOCAL SCHOOLS ATHLETIC TRAINING RULES

The Chippewa Local Schools Athletic Training Rules applies to students in any activity that is not required as a part of the regular school curriculum. The authority to control student conduct includes conduct on school premises, at school-related activities, and off-school conduct or non-school related activities having a direct, indirect or immediate effect on the discipline or general welfare of the school.

One of the major goals of the Chippewa Local Board of Education, with respect to extracurricular activities, is to provide every student with the opportunity to grow mentally, physically, emotionally, and socially. The Chippewa Local School System strongly believes that in order to achieve maximum performance in the classroom as well as in extracurricular activities, it is important to follow the guidelines of training rules. These rules are designed to enhance student performance as well as aid in the development of competitive skills. To ensure that our athletic programs can provide these opportunities to all of the students, who chose to participate, a certain degree of self-discipline is required of every participant.

It is important to state at this time that participation in athletics is a privilege, not a right. Therefore, all students who participate in athletic activities at any time must follow set regulations from their date of enrollment or the date of participation, whichever comes first. These athletic training rules will go into effect beginning with the start of the Fall sports seasons. **These rules will remain in effect until the end of the school year (violations will be carried over year to year).** Training Rules parental/guardian and student signatures are effective for the entire school year. (i.e., not necessary to resign rules if participation in more than one sport season.) (OHSAA guidelines for the sixty-one days of summer team coaching shall fall under this policy).

It is the responsibility of each athlete to ensure that the training rules are obeyed. Parents, coaches, and school personnel also have the responsibility to ensure that the penalties for infractions of these training rules are carried out. Failure to comply with the school's regulations may jeopardize a student's extracurricular career. All coaches will meet with perspective players/performers prior to the start of their respective athletic activity to explain the rules/regulations and answer any questions that may arise. Parents are encouraged to attend these athletic training rules meetings.

All athletes are expected to behave in a manner that reflects positively on the Chippewa Local Schools. Behavior that reflects negatively would include but not be limited to, such offenses as described in student code of conduct.

Behavior reflective of violations of student code of conduct constitutes strong consequences.

The following rules apply to all students of the Chippewa Local Schools. It should be noted at this time that the following are guidelines. The Administration, Athletic Department, and/or the Board of Education reserve the right to amend and/or deviate from these guidelines, as they deem appropriate. It also should be noted that "playoff games," tournaments, etc. are also counted as "scheduled events" and a student athlete may forfeit their chance to compete in scheduled "playoff games," tournaments, etc. if in fact they violate any of the athletic code of

conduct.

1A. Use or Possession of Tobacco

If a student athlete uses or possess tobacco, participation will be denied as follows:

First Offense: The athlete must enroll in an intervention program approved by school administration. The athlete will be suspended for 20% of the maximum OHSAA scheduled contests during the current season. If a student is not involved in a current season, then the penalty will be applied to the next in-season sport in which the student is a participant. Suspension or expulsion from school may also occur.

- A. The student must agree to immediately begin and complete an approved intervention/rehabilitation program in order to be eligible to participate in the remainder of the season or participate in future seasons.
- B. Failure to begin and complete the intervention/rehabilitation program will result in denial to participate in the current and next sports season.
- C. The Parent(s)/Guardian(s) will be contacted and notified of the violation

Second Offense: Removal from athletic participation for one calendar year effective on the date of the offense. Further disciplinary consequences may be imposed from school suspension to expulsion.

1B. Use or Possession of Drugs or Alcohol

If a student athlete uses or possess drugs or alcohol, participation will be denied as follows:

First Offense: The athlete must enroll in an intervention program approved by school administration. The athlete will be suspended for 20% of the maximum OHSAA scheduled contests during the current season. If a student is not involved in a current season, then the penalty will be applied to the next in-season sport in which the student is a participant. Suspension or expulsion from school may also occur.

- A. The student must agree to immediately begin and complete an approved rehabilitation program in order to be eligible to participate in the remainder of the current season or participate in future seasons.
- B. Failure to begin and complete the intervention/rehabilitation program will result in denial of athletic participation for the remainder of the school year.
- C. The Parent(s)/Guardian(s) will be contacted and notified of the violation.

Second Offense: Removal from athletic participation for one calendar year effective on the date of the offense. Further disciplinary consequences may be imposed from school suspension to expulsion.

2. Selling or Distributing Drugs, Alcohol, or any other mood altering chemicals

If a student athlete sells or distributes drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or any other chemicals, participation will be denied as follows:

First Offense: Removal from the sport for one calendar year. Suspension and expulsion may follow. In such an offense, the appropriate authorities would be notified.

- A. The student must agree to immediately complete an approved intervention/rehabilitation program in order to be eligible to participate the following year.
- B. Failure to begin and complete the rehabilitation program will result in denial to participate the following school year.
- C. The Parent(s)/Guardian(s) will be contacted and notified of the violation

Second Offense: Permanent Athletic Participation Termination and Possible Expulsion

3. Disruptive Behavior

If a student athlete is disciplined for disruptive behavior in or out of school, the coach or administration will take action. Game suspensions or removal from the team may occur. Frequency or severity may determine the consequence issued.

Athletic Review Board/Appeals Process

If a student athlete is suspended or dismissed due to a violation in Athletic Training Rules, the dismissed party has the right to appeal.

If the student athlete or his/her guardians choose to appeal, a hearing will take place by the Review Board. The Review Board will set a time, date, and location for a hearing. The Review Board will consist of the Athletic Director, Principal, Head Coach, and two other varsity coaches. Suspended or dismissed athletes should attend the hearing with parent(s) or guardian(s).

The Review Board will hear facts, keep minutes of the hearing, and render a decision.

The student will be notified (within 48 hours), of the Review Boards decision.

Academic Eligibility

The Chippewa School system sets high standards for academic achievement. Athletes are expected to be good students as well as performing well in the classroom.

In order to be eligible, a student in grades 9, 10, 11, and 12 must be enrolled and must have been enrolled in the school the immediate preceding grading period and received 1.5 GPA during that grading period in subjects that earn a minimum of 5 credits, or the equivalent per year toward graduation.

A student enrolled in the first grading period after advancement from the eighth grade, must pass 75% of those subjects carried the previous nine weeks to be eligible to compete.

A student who is currently ineligible for Ohio high school athletic competition may participate in practice for the upcoming sport season if he/she maintains at least a "C" or better average in all subjects carried.

Any student that is ineligible by Chippewa School Board Policy, but is eligible by Ohio Athletic Association Policy, may be placed on academic probation and may regain eligibility, if established School Board Criteria is met.

Added Annual Requirements for Athletic Participation

1. Physical Examination Form-completed and on file in the athletic office
2. Emergency Medical Form- completed and on file in athletic office
3. Athletic Trainer Waiver- completed and on file in athletic office
4. Training Rules Form- completed and on file in athletic office
5. All school fees should be paid prior to 1st athletic contest of a sports season
6. Students must be in attendance 4 periods on the day of athletic contests or practices (Any exceptions must be approved by administration).
7. OHSAA Respect the Game Video- Parent(s) must view 1 time

Student's Name _____

Student's Signature _____

Parent's Name _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature _____

Date _____