

Albion Central School District
EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITY CODE OF CONDUCT AGREEMENT

ATTENDANCE:

- In order for a student to be eligible to participate in extra-curricular activities (i.e. athletics, clubs, meetings, FFA, instrumental, drama/arts programs, student council, cheerleading, service organizations, etc) he/she must be in regular attendance at school the day that the said practice/meeting or activity is scheduled. In certain circumstances, the principal may grant permission to be absent and still participate (enforced by coach/advisor of activity).
- Participants are expected to be present at every practice/meeting/event called by the coach/advisor unless absent from school or excused by the coach/advisor of that activity.

TERMINATION:

- Leaving Team/Activity: If a member quits a team or activity, he/she has forty-eight (48) hours to personally ask the coach/advisor for reinstatement. The coach/advisor will act on it as he/she wishes. He/she may reinstate the student or drop the student from the activity/team.
- Once a student has been selected as a member of an extra class physical team (squad) and attends a contest as a member of that team, he/she shall be ineligible to try out for another physical activity during that season if he/she resigns from that team. This policy applies to interscholastic sports as well as to cheerleading activities.
- **NOTE:** If the coach/advisor grants permission to a student to leave the team, the student may elect to try out for another activity.

TRANSPORTATION:

- Participants (including managers, statisticians and helpers) must ride the bus provided for them to and from activities. A member may return with his/her parents providing the request is in writing to the coach/advisor. If a member does not return on the bus with the group without a reasonable excuse, the participant will be removed from the activity. In special circumstances, the building principal may grant permission for alternative transportation to/from an activity.

EQUIPMENT/SCHOOL PROPERTY:

- Equipment, uniforms, instruments, props, costumes, etc. issued to each student must be properly cared for and not abused. All items issued must be turned in after the last scheduled game/activity or the first school day following the last scheduled activity. Students are responsible for all replacement costs if items are damaged or lost.

CONDUCT:

- Appearance: Student participants are representing the Albion Central School District and the community; therefore, they should be neat and dress in good taste. The coach/advisor is responsible for his/her group's appearance
- Sportsmanlike Conduct: An advisor/coach may suspend a student for unsportsmanlike conduct. Issues pertaining to question of conduct will be resolved by a committee consisting of the coach/advisor and the building principal. If this is an athletic event, the director of athletics will be included in the committee. Appeals may be lodged through the Superintendent of Schools within two days of suspension.
- School Related Injury: A student participant who gets injured during a school sponsored event, either during practice or during the event, must notify his/her advisor within 24 hours of the injury.
- Smoking, drinking, drugs: Students must abstain completely from smoking and/or drinking alcoholic beverages and the illegal use of drugs or narcotics, steroids, "over the counter" stimulants, depressants, and/or "look-alike" drugs. **PENALTY** - suspension from participation in interscholastic athletics and/or extra-curricular activities for twenty (20) weeks, excluding July 1 through August 15. The twenty (20) consecutive weeks may cross school years. (see below for suspension waiver)

WAIVER FROM SUSPENSION (as per last bulleted item above)

The participant will be suspended from all activities for a **minimum of five (5) school days**. The twenty (20) week suspension from participation in extra-curricular activities and/or interscholastic athletics **may be waived** by the building principal once the student voluntarily:

1. **Agrees to participate in a substance abuse education group of six (6) sessions conducted by Albion Central School staff.** Failure to participate and complete this education group will result in an immediate suspension from extra-curricular and/or athletic activities until the student's participation in the group has been completed **OR**
2. Agrees to participate in an anti-tobacco product workshop if the offense involves tobacco products.

The student suspension will be in effect until arrangements have been made to comply with the above. If the student and his/her family do not comply, the suspension will resume and continue until compliance is complete.

If the student has a **second violation** within one calendar year (365 days), the student will be suspended from all activities for a **minimum of five (5) school days**. The twenty (20) week suspension from participation in extra-curricular activities and/or interscholastic athletics **may be waived** by the building principal once the student and his/her family voluntarily:

1. Agree to participate at his/her own expense, in a chemical dependency evaluation (at GCASA, or other alcohol/drug treatment facility) and further agrees to participate in any treatment recommended by the evaluating agency. Failure to keep the appointment will result in an immediate suspension from extra-curricular or athletic activities until the appointment is rescheduled **AND**
2. The student and his/her family will agree to participate in any higher treatment level or counseling recommended by the Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee. Any and all counseling or treatment is at the student's/family's expense.

Subsequent violations will result in a twenty (20) week suspension from all extra-curricular activities. A waiver of suspension may be granted to reduce the suspension from twenty (20) weeks to ten (10) weeks, as per approval of the superintendent. If the school year ends prior to the completion of the suspension, the remaining percentage of the suspension will be applied effective the following school year, beginning with the first meeting/practice day.

I have read and understand the above information and give permission for my son/daughter to participate in the following activity during the school year. _____ (please list the activity)

Date: _____ Parent Name (print): _____ Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____ Student Name (print): _____ Student Signature: _____