

Athletic Policies For Electra ISD

Electra ISD expects the students who participate in extracurricular activities (herein referred to as ECA) to have self discipline, responsibility, pride, loyalty, leadership, teamwork, respect for authority and healthy living habits. These activities are an integral part of the entire school experience and are meant to enhance and complete the experience.

Our coaches' main responsibility is for the safety, welfare and development of the students that are participating in ECA. EISD gives the coaches the authority to discuss performance standards with the participants and their legal guardians as well as impose all appropriate disciplinary action. One item that will not be discussed is playing time as that is solely at the discretion of the coach.

Involvement in an ECA shows that the student is willing to accept additional responsibilities and performance standards that are associated with ECA participants. Extracurricular activities are privilege, not a right. EISD strives to develop good individuals who will build a program we can all be proud of.

CONDUCT EXPECTATIONS

1. Participants who cannot be present for a practice, meeting or event should call the coach of that sport as soon as they are aware that they will be tardy or absent. All missed meetings, practices and events will have makeup, not a punishment. Participants with excessive absences may at the discretion of the head coach be removed from participating in the sport. A student that is absent from school for any non school related function will not be allowed to participate without prior approval. Students have to be enrolled in no fewer that 3 consecutive periods on the day of a contest.
2. Participants will conform to school and team dress code policies at all times.
3. Participants are to go to and return from all contests with the team unless there is prior approval and written permission from their legal guardian to do so. Students are not allowed to drive their vehicle to and from a contest.
4. Participants will conduct themselves in an appropriate manner at all times. That includes, but is not relegated to, opposing teams and fans, officials, and coaches.
5. Regular attendance at practice is a requirement. Lack of attendance will lead to removal from the team.
6. Participants who receive ISS will be allowed to practice for the length of the suspension but will not be allowed to participate in contest until satisfactory completion of the assignment.

7. Participants who receive off-campus suspension (AEP) for disciplinary reasons will not be allowed to practice or participate during the length of their suspension. Participants will be eligible the day following the suspension and only after they have completed their makeup workouts.
8. Participants are responsible for financial reimbursement for lost or damaged school issued equipment. All personal possessions are the responsibility of the participant. All items of values should be locked in the participant's locker or placed in the coaches' office for safe keeping.
9. Quitting anything is a bad habit to start that gets easier every time. We strongly encourage kids to stay and finish what they start. With this in mind, a player has a probationary period at the beginning of each sport without loss of privilege. The probationary period will be 2 weeks or the first event, whichever comes first. If a player quits a sport then will be required to go to all practices of the following sport they participate in but will be suspended from playing from the first two weeks of events. Players who miss practices will have time added to their suspension. In the event of an extenuating circumstance that the head coach and player agree it is in the best interest of the player then removal from the team without loss of privilege is possible.

ATHLETIC PERIOD

1. Enrollment in the athletic period is required for all athletes participating in a team sport. Individual sports are determined by a participant being able to advance to post season play on his/her own personal performance. It is the head coach of these sports determination as to whether these athletes need to be enrolled in the athletic period.
2. If a student is ill or injured we do not expect them to workout but we do require them to dress out in athletic attire and rotate to the appropriate stations during practice times. Any athlete with an injury that requires lost time of more than a couple of days will be required to seek medical attention and get a medical clearance before they are allowed to participate.

TRAVEL

1. We require all high school athletes participating in a team sport to travel with the team to and from out of town competitions. Individual sport participants may ride home with your legal guardian due to early completion of events of all day competitions. Also sub varsity teams where multiple games are being played may ride home with their legal guardian after the completion of their competition. Any athlete riding home with their legal guardian is required to get approval from the appropriate coach and their legal guardian must personally sign them out with the appropriate coach prior to leaving.
2. Junior High students are required to ride to all out of town competitions with the team. The athlete may ride home with their legal guardian after a contest. Any athlete riding home must get approval from the appropriate coach and their legal

- guardian must personally sign them out with the appropriate coach prior to leaving.
3. If a student is going to ride home with someone other than their legal guardian the coach must have written approval from the legal guardian stating who they may ride with and the appropriate date. Family relationships do not constitute legal guardianship as this is a liability matter.

PROHIBITED CONDUCT

Electra ISD student/athletes who participate in extracurricular activities, including managers and trainers are prohibited during school, on school property and during school sponsored events from the following:

1. Possessing, smoking, selling or using tobacco products at school or on school functions
2. Possessing, selling or using illegal drugs or alcohol
3. Engaging in conduct that contains activities relating to glue, aerosol cans or volatile mood altering chemicals.
4. Engaging in serious misbehavior, as that term is defined in the EISD Student Code of Conduct.
5. Stealing
6. Conduct that may cause injury or harm to another person or property.
7. Conduct that is grossly inappropriate
8. Hazing
9. Inappropriate touching, sexual gestures, indecent exposure, sexual harassment, or any sexual actions with another.

Electra ISD student/athletes who participate in extracurricular activities, including managers and trainers are prohibited after school from the following:

Conduct that results in arrest or a citation including but not limited to Minor in Possession (MIP), Driving Under the Influence (DUI) or Driving While Intoxicated (DWI). Students who are cited and plead no contest will be suspended until a determination is made through law enforcement.

The Athletic Director retains the right to discipline any action not listed that he deems not in the best interest of the program or school as well as any action that puts the program, the school or the community in a negative light. These disciplinary actions may result in immediate suspension from the athletic program. Also any extenuating circumstances may be taken into account.

PROCEDURES AND DISCIPLINARY ACTION

If the District becomes aware of an alleged violation, the District will investigate. If there is a determination of guilt, either by self admission or by the facts, then there will be consequences.

When a violation occurs the Athletic Director will meet with the coach whose sport is involved and/or the Girls Coordinator to review all facts and circumstances surrounding the particular violation. If it is determined a violation occurred the following people would then be notified:

1. The appropriate administrators
2. The student/athlete
3. The legal guardian

Punishments should begin on the first day after notification of a violation and should be served while school is in session or while an ECA is going on. A student that is in off-season will serve his/her punishment at the beginning of the next sport they participate in.

NOTE:

Nothing in the ECA policy limits the authority of a coach to impose additional reasonable sanctions or to consider extenuating circumstances when determining disciplinary action. These may include, but are not limited to, extra practice sessions for participants who breach team or organization conduct expectations in either the athletic, school, or community setting but do not engage in prohibited conduct.

PUNISHMENT LEVELS

Students who violate the “Prohibited Conduct” will be subject to the following:

First Offense

The first offense will result in a 1 week suspension from the ECA that the participant is involved in. Suspension includes travel in a school vehicle to and from competitions. The suspension does not include practice; however, the coach may also impose a suspension on practice.

Second Offense

The second offense will result in a 3 week suspension from the ECA that the participant is involved in. Suspension includes travel in a school vehicle to and from the competitions. The suspension does not include practice; however the coach may also impose a suspension on practice.

Third Offense

The third offense will result in expulsion from all ECA events for one calendar year from the time of the offense. At the end of the year the athlete may apply for reinstatement to the Athletic Director. Applications for reinstatement will be reviewed by a committee of the Athletic Director, HS Principal and Superintendent.

NONDISCRIMINATION

FB (LEGAL)

No officer or employee of the District shall, when acting or purporting to act in an official capacity, refuse to permit any student to participate in any school program because of a student’s race, religion, color, sex or national origin.

FNE (LEGAL)

The District shall not discriminate against any student or exclude any student from its education program or activity, including any class or extracurricular activity, on the basis of the student’s pregnancy, or recovery there from, unless the student requests voluntarily to participate in a separate portion of the District’s program or activity.

STUDENT INSURANCE

The school will provide a supplemental insurance policy for all students in extracurricular activities. This policy is not meant to be a primary policy and it will not cover the complete cost of medical care. Payment is made to the caregiver after you have filed a claim with your primary provider and received an estimated cost receipt. Claim forms from the supplemental policy must be submitted by the legal guardian to your insurance by the primary cardholder of your insurance.

It is important to note that the insurance provided by the school is a supplemental policy only and pays on a payment schedule, meaning a certain amount for certain services. It is not meant to cover the remaining cost of payment but to be used only as a supplement to help cover the cost.

A schedule of payment form and the list of doctors that have agreed to use this insurance can be picked up at the Administration Building.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

I have read the Electra ISD Athletic Policy Handbook and agree to adhere to these rules as a condition for my voluntary participation in the Electra ISD extracurricular activities. I understand that failure to abide by these policies will result in disciplinary measures related to my extra curricular participation.

By signing below I acknowledge that I understand and agree to follow the extra curricular policies and philosophies that have been adopted by the Electra Independent School District.

Student Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date

Contact phone numbers