

Marysville Middle School
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MARYSVILLE VIKING ATHLETIC CODE OF CONDUCT

It is a privilege to participate in athletics at Marysville Middle School. All students who wish to participate in athletics must pass a current physical examination, signed by an M.D. or D. O., and have it on file in the Main Office. Student athletes must also meet the eligibility requirements of the Michigan High School Athletic Association, as well as, the specific expectations as determined by the Marysville Public School System.

The coaches shall review the Code of Conduct with their teams at the beginning of each season. The student/athlete and his/her parent/guardian must sign a copy of the Code of Conduct and file it with the Main Office before the student will be eligible to participate. This signed copy will remain on file and in effect for the duration of the student's enrollment. Suspensions, probations or removal from athletics will not carry over from the M.M.S. to M.H.S.

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Eligibility:

Athletes must be passing **ALL** 6 classes during the season. Eligibility is checked every week.

If an Athlete is failing 1 or more classes:

1st Offense – warning week (can still participate and has the week to get grades up)

2nd Offense – 1-week suspension from contests (may practice)

3rd Offense – 1-week suspension from contests (may practice)

4th Offense - Suspension for remainder of season

All students get a fresh start at the beginning of the semester.

Discipline:

Detentions received during the season will be served prior to athletic participation.

1st Offense – Warning

2nd Offense – 1 Game Suspension

3rd Offense – Suspension for remainder of season

School Suspension during the season.

1st Offense – Suspension from one athletic contest, after serving the school's suspension.

2nd Offense – Suspension for the remainder of the season.

Any combination of two detentions and suspensions during the season would equal suspension for the remainder of the season, after the school's suspension.

ATHLETIC CODE OF CONDUCT VIOLATIONS

1. Student-athletes are expected to represent Marysville Athletics with integrity, sportsmanship, respect, and responsibility at all times on and off the field of play. Any student-athlete who exhibits conduct unbecoming of a Marysville Middle School athlete may be subject to disciplinary action as determined by the coach and/or Athletic Director. Discipline may include warnings, suspension, probation, or removal from the team. Examples include but are not limited to:
 - a. Verbal, physical, written, electronic/online behavior, including social media activity, or excessive unexcused absences - anything that violates the standards of behavior for school.
2. No drinking of alcoholic beverages, M.I.P. situations, vaping, possession of false or altered personal identification, or any alcohol-related violations/offenses.
3. No use or possession of mind-altering drugs or illegal substances.
4. Any athlete who is in the presence of alcohol or drugs where minors are in violation of Rules #1 or #2 must immediately leave the situation. Failure to do so is a violation.
5. No smoking, use, or possession of tobacco products.
6. No use or possession of anabolic steroids.
7. Marysville Athletics prohibits harassment, hazing, bullying, discrimination, intimidation, retaliation, or hateful conduct toward any student, staff member, official, opponent, or spectator.
 - a. Hazing is strictly prohibited and includes any intentional or unintentional, reckless, or negligent act, whether physical, verbal, written, electronic, social, or psychological, that humiliates, degrades, intimidates, abuses, harasses, coerces, or endangers the physical or emotional well-being of a student, regardless of the student's willingness to participate. Hazing may occur as a condition of initiation, membership, participation, maintaining status, or acceptance within a team, group, or activity.

- b. Prohibited conduct includes actions directed at an individual or group based on race, color, religion, national origin, ethnicity, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or any other protected characteristic, as well as any conduct that creates a hostile, threatening, or unsafe environment

VIOLATION CONSEQUENCES

Violation Type	In-Season Consequence	Off-Season Consequence*
#1. Conduct Unbecoming of a Marysville Middle School Athlete	May be subject to disciplinary action as determined by the coach and/or Athletic Director. Discipline may include warning, suspension, probation, or removal from the team.	May be subject to disciplinary action as determined by the coach and/or Athletic Director.
First Violation of Rules #2–#7	Removed from the team immediately. The student-athlete may not practice, compete, or serve as a student manager. Student-athlete is placed on one calendar year of probation.	Student-athlete is placed on one calendar year of probation.
Violation of Rules #2–#7 During Probation	Removed from the team immediately and declared ineligible for the next three athletic seasons (current + 2)	Declared ineligible for three athletic seasons , including the current season and the next two seasons.

POLICY IMPLEMENTATIONS

- ❖ Violation of Athletic Code of Conduct occurs.
- ❖ Assistant Principal/Athletic Director/coach notifies student and parent of violation and consequences.
- ❖ Assistant Principal/Athletic Director sends written parent notification of violation, consequences, and the due process procedures.
- ❖ If parents choose to appeal they must contact the Athletic Director within 3 school days after notification.
- ❖ Athletic Director will schedule a meeting to include the student, parent, coach, and Athletic Director.
- ❖ Following the Athletic Director meeting if the parent chooses to continue the appeal, they must contact the building principal within 3 school days.
- ❖ The principal will convene an appeal hearing with a committee comprised of, the following voting members: (Pool of appeals candidate members will be selected prior to the start of the school year.)
 - Two coaches
 - One community member
 - Two middle school teachers (non-coach)
 - M.M.S. principal - Chair
 - Athletic Director
 - Coach
 - Parent/guardian
 - Athlete
 - Recording secretary

The appeals committee will grant or deny the parent's request by secret ballot and the decision is final. The principal will contact the parents with the committee's decision within 24 hours.

****The season begins for the athlete with the first team practice and concludes at either the awards night or when the athlete begins a new season. If the violation occurs after the athlete's first practice but before they receive the award from the prior season they will receive the award but cannot attend the banquet and will lose eligibility for the current season.**

We, the undersigned, have read and understand the Marysville Athletic Code of Conduct.

PRINT STUDENT NAME

Graduation Year

Student Signature / Date

Parent/Guardian Signature / Date

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