

# Brazosport Independent School District Athletic Handbook

2024-2025

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# **Brazosport ISD Administration**

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# **Brazosport ISD Statements of Purpose**

Mission:	The mission of Brazosport ISD is to graduate each student to be future-ready.			
Vision:	Brazosport ISDsetting the standard for educational excellence.			
Motto:	We Believe			
Beliefs:	We believe every child deserves the highest quality education We believe everyone is accountable for student success We believe students find purpose through connections with their schools We value and support the contributions of our staff We believe collaborative partnerships are vital to strengthening the learning experience			
Goals:	<ul> <li>BISD will provide a rigorous and relevant learning experience to ensure that every student will B*Future-Ready</li> <li>BISD learning environments will be safe and conducive to learning</li> <li>BISD will promote, communicate and market the accomplishments, achievements and successes of students and staff</li> <li>BISD will exercise fiscal responsibility to ensure financial strength and provide the resources to equip and maintain quality facilities and educational programming</li> <li>BISD will recruit, develop and retain highly effective staff</li> </ul>			

## **BISD** Athletic Department Core Values

The Brazosport ISD Athletic Department will contribute to the development and success of all students by providing students with **MEANINGFUL** extracurricular opportunities where they are exposed to what it takes to be a successful student and citizen. Students will be part of a complete system of **UNITY** that is not only modeled for them by staff members but requires investment by everyone to truly be effective. Students will possess a **LIMITLESS** mindset after exposure to the challenges of growth through rigorous experiences which require hard work, a positive attitude, handling adversity, selfless teamwork, communication, and a competitive environment. We will exhibit **EXCELLENCE** in every aspect of our daily walk. This will be at the forefront of all teachings as we reinforce what success looks like personally and professionally. Participation in extracurricular activities will provide additional character training and opportunities for staff and students to become impactful **SERVANT LEADERS** in our community and beyond.

## **MEANINGFUL**

We are <u>purposeful</u> in developing lifelong skills

# EXCELLENCE

We are developers of a <u>Win the Day</u> mentality

## UNITY

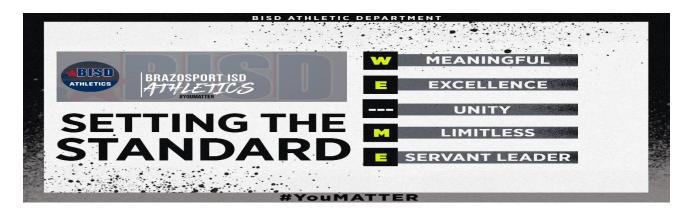
We are <u>one</u>. We are BISD

## LIMITLESS

We are <u>confident</u> in what can be achieved

## SERVANT LEADERS

We are <u>selfless</u> in our daily walk



## **Athletic Programs Offered:**

The following programs are options for students at each campus:

- Brazosport High School: Athletic Trainer, Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Powerlifting, Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Tennis, Track, Volleyball
- Brazoswood High School: Athletic Trainer, Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Powerlifting, Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Tennis, Track, Volleyball, Water Polo, Wrestling
- BISD Intermediate Schools: Basketball, Football, Soccer, Tennis, Track, Volleyball

#### **Our Purpose:**

Brazosport ISD provides extracurricular athletic programs for the benefit of students. We believe that participation in the various athletic programs can provide students the opportunity to learn many things beyond what is available to them in an academic setting. Students are encouraged to participate in as many extracurricular activities as possible.

We recognize that some of our expectations are more strict for athletes than for the general student body. However, athletes are expected to accept and follow the established policies. Violation of policy will result in corrective and/or disciplinary action. All known facts and circumstances will be taken into consideration when determining what actions will be taken. Students may be disciplined or dismissed from the program(s) for violation of the athletic policy.

#### Academics:

The number one reason students are enrolled at Brazosport ISD is to obtain a quality education.

- Participants must meet all minimum grade requirements set by UIL and TEA. A participant must be passing all subjects with at least a 70% average at the end of each grading period.
- Grade checks will be completed every 3 weeks. If an athlete has a grade of 75% or below, he/she may be required to attend tutorials until the grade is above 75% at the next progress report.
- If an athlete is ineligible for two consecutive grading periods, he/she may be released from the athletic program for the remainder of the school year.

## **Participation:**

The goal of the athletic program is to offer the opportunity to participate to every student who has the ability and desire to do so. Participation in Brazosport ISD athletics is a privilege, not a right. Since it is a privilege, the Athletic Director, in accordance with BISD policy and procedures, has the authority to suspend or revoke the privilege when rules and/or standards of the athletic program are not followed.

## **Athletic Periods:**

Athletes in BISD must be enrolled in the appropriate athletic period to participate in our athletic programs. Exceptions to this will only be approved by the Athletic Director and with the consent/advisement of the campus principal. In some cases, the student may be placed in a different athletic period even if it is not the normal period for his/her specific sport/level.

Athletes should not schedule classes or outside activities at the time that a practice or athletic period is scheduled. Individual sport coaches cannot approve exceptions to this rule. Any modifications to a student's enrollment and participation in athletics must be approved by the Athletic Director and Campus Coordinator. This maintains consistency in this standard.

Athletes must be enrolled in the athletic period for the entire year to participate. Athletes who decide to drop athletics to avoid the offseason will not be allowed to return to athletics for the following

season. Example: A football or volleyball player who is in the athletic period for the fall semester but decides to drop athletics during the spring semester will not be allowed to participate the following fall. This will be considered quitting and the year suspension will apply.

#### Attendance:

Being in attendance at school and practice is part of making a commitment. We expect all athletes to be in class on time, to be at practice, and be in the athletic period unless otherwise notified. All coaches plan extensively before practices begin, and when an athlete is a "no show" and has not notified a coach, many changes have to be made. Extenuating circumstances for an absence will always be taken into consideration. A consistent pattern of absences may result in removal from athletics and the ability to try out in the future.

There are two types of absences within the Brazosport ISD Athletic Department:

- **Excused**: An athlete's absence will be deemed "excused" when they have contacted a coach before the workout. This should be done by contacting the coach directly. Sickness, death in the family, etc. are valid reasons for an excused absence. Prior notice of a family shopping trip, etc. is not. Absences associated with other school-sponsored activities are considered excused. Missed conditioning will be made up at the next workout. If an athletic period is missed, the workout must be made up before an athlete can compete in any competition. If a game/contest is missed, future playing time may be impacted.
- **Unexcused**: An athlete's absence will be deemed "unexcused" when an athlete misses a practice, game, or the athletic period without making direct contact with his/her coach. Conditioning for unexcused absences includes the makeup of the previous day's conditioning, plus extra if an athletic period is missed. The workout missed must be made up before an athlete can compete in any competition. It will be up to the head coach of each sport to determine the specific conditioning and/or consequence for unexcused absences.

At a minimum, the following game consequences will be enforced for in-season unexcused absences. Off-season absences will be handled upon return by the coach to keep the athlete in good standing.

- Football/Student Trainers
  - $\circ$  1 unexcused absence in a week =  $\frac{1}{2}$  of game
  - $\circ$  2 unexcused absences in a week = 1 game
- Baseball / Basketball / Golf / Soccer / Softball / Volleyball / Water Polo / Wrestling
  - $\circ$  1 unexcused absence in a week = 1 game
  - $\circ$  2 unexcused absences a week = 2 games
- Track / Powerlifting / Cross Country / Swimming / Tennis
  - $\circ$  1 unexcused absence in a week = Sport-specific conditioning
  - $\circ$  2 unexcused absences a week = 1 meet
- ISS: Students are placed in ISS for disciplinary reasons. ISS will be treated as an unexcused absence for the athletic period and the same consequences will apply. Any athlete who is placed in ISS will be suspended from games and scrimmages until the ISS placement is served. The ISS placement will also result in consequences under the Brazosport ISD Extrac urricular Code of Conduct.

• **DAEP/Lighthouse Placement:** If a student is assigned to the DAEP, there must be a conference with the Athletic Director, Campus Coordinator, and Head Coach once the athlete returns to the home campus before the student is allowed to participate in a sport. At the conference, a determination will be made if the student will continue in the athletic program or not. Conditions will be set if it is determined the athlete will return to the athletic program.

#### **Tryouts:**

Some sports may have team limitations on the number of athletes allowed on each team. In this case, an established tryout period will be held to determine who will participate in that specific sport. After the established period of time, athletes will be notified of their status. Any athlete who does not make a team will have an opportunity to try out again for future seasons.

Students who are under campus and/or athletic department discipline restrictions may be subject to not being able to try out for a particular program when those dates align. These situations are handled based on the specifics of the circumstances and season dates. The Athletic Director and campus principal will make the determination based on the facts. In some cases, students may be subject to an individual tryout regardless of the team nature of the sport. This may result in a different tryout routine/session.

#### **Missed Games:**

An athlete who misses a competitive game for a reason other than illness or a family crisis is subject to conditional or permanent suspension. If an athlete has to miss a game, he/she should contact the coach and make arrangements ahead of time. Prior arrangements may or may not be excusable, but the courtesy is expected. Dedication to the team and your teammates is of the utmost importance to the success of the program. Athletes should not schedule classes or outside activities at the time that practice or games are scheduled.

## Varsity Lettering:

Varsity athletes will be awarded a letter in his/her sport when they finish the year in good standing in the athletic program has made a positive contribution to the team. A positive contribution is not defined in minutes/playing time. Only one jacket will be awarded per four years of competition. Special consideration will be given to seniors or injured athletes on the varsity team who do not fulfill the lettering requirements. Managers may be recommended for lettering purposes if they serve as full-time managers for the entire season in that sport. *Varsity is defined as the team being eligible for UIL playoff qualification. Sub-varsity athletes are not eligible for letter jackets.* 

All expenses beyond the jacket and campus patch will be the responsibility of the athlete and/or family.

#### **Dress:**

All athletic programs should provide practice clothes that are to be worn at all organized practice sessions. Practice clothes can be uniform throughout the program or specific to each team level but are to be issued so all athletes look the same in our programs.

Many sports have requirements for specific safety equipment and/or guidelines for prohibited items during competition. Those requirements should be complied with at practices as well. Examples include but are not limited to jewelry, shin guards, mouthpieces, and helmets. Jewelry at practice is an item that should not be overlooked.

All uniforms will be worn in the same manner. No one will look different  $-\exp$ : socks, wristbands, etc. Equipment will be furnished and laundered for all athletes. At no point should an athlete take

school-issued equipment home unless specifically permitted by the coach (game gear, etc.) The school dress code will be adhered to for all banquets, school events, etc.

At no time should Brazosport ISD uniforms and/or team-issued clothing be worn outside of team events. This includes, but is not limited to, wearing these items:

- to school unless permission from the coach is given;
- out in the community unless representing BISD in an approved capacity

#### **Appearance:**

All athletes represent not only themselves but Brazosport ISD as well, both on the field of competition and off. Athletes must comply with the Brazosport ISD dress code at all times when present at school, representing our programs, and when supporting our programs at home or offsite.

Tattoo coverings must be approved by the Director of Athletics before any competition.

## Travel:

All athletes must travel as a team to and from the athletic contest. All athletes are expected to ride the bus to the game and home after the game. If a special situation arises, then arrangements must be made with the coach for a parent to take the athlete home after a contest with the approval of both the coach and the Campus Coordinator before the event. The coach must have a signed statement from the parent releasing the player to the parent from an out-of-town event.

## **Overnight Travel:**

There may be times when teams will need to travel overnight for competitions. In these instances, athletes must:

- receive parent permission before departure;
- be in gender-specific room assignments;
- abide by all room and curfew rules established by the coach;
- abide by all BISD policies; and
- understand and approve the need for bag checks before departure.

## **Respect for Coaches:**

Coaches should receive only "Yes, sir"/"Yes, ma'am" and "No, sir"/"No, ma'am" responses from players. Players in return will be treated with respect by their coaches. We believe this is a life skill that will benefit all athletes.

## **Profanity:**

Profanity will not be tolerated. The first offense will result in disciplinary action at the coach's discretion.

## Grade Classification/Senior Recognition:

A senior is defined as a student who will have no eligibility remaining after the season is complete. A junior is defined as a student who will have one year of eligibility after the season is completed. A sophomore is a student who will have two years of eligibility after the season is completed.

Senior Night recognitions will only highlight those athletes who have no eligibility remaining. An athlete choosing to graduate before his/her senior year will not be considered for this recognition. The rationale for this is simply because plans can change which would result in multiple recognitions.

## Theft:

Stealing will not be tolerated in Brazosport ISD. Stealing could also be interpreted as not returning school-issued equipment after the season is complete. An athlete caught stealing will be handled according to the BISD ECC and, depending on the specific incident, may include immediate dismissal from the program.

## Quitting / Removal from a Sport:

Commitment is one of the many core values taught in athletic competitions. Quitting is not a habit we want to re-enforce in the athletic program and should always be discouraged. Once an athlete starts a season with a team, he/she is obligated to finish the season with the team. However, if a student does decide to quit after the first interschool scrimmage/game, the decision does not become final for a twenty-four-hour period. This "grace period" is designed to allow for processing time from an unpleasant emotion or experience. It does not excuse the athlete from consequences for improper actions committed by the athlete before or during the "grace period."

The following consequences will be enforced if an athlete decides to quit after the grace period has expired.

- A <u>single-sport athlete</u> will be removed from the athletic period as soon as the campus counseling department can make the change. Campus Coordinators should assist with placement until the change happens to minimize program distractions.
- A <u>multi-sport athlete</u> will go straight to the next sport of participation if allowed by the next coach. The athlete will be expected to begin practicing immediately and participate in all team functions. However, the athlete will be suspended for 15 school days prior to being able to compete in the next program as a result of quitting the previous sport. This suspension will begin on the date that the UIL allows interschool competition for that sport (games, not scrimmages).
  - A parent meeting must occur prior to being allowed to go to the next sport. The meeting should include the Campus Coordinator, all involved Head Coaches, the athlete, and his/her parents.
- Any athlete who has quit for a second time with then be removed from the athletic program for one calendar year and a schedule change will be submitted. The athlete will be unable to try out for any athletic programs during the calendar year suspension.

If a student is dismissed from a sport for disciplinary reasons, he/she may also be removed from the athletic program for up to one calendar year. The Head Coach involved and the Campus Coordinator or Athletic Director shall determine the consequences on a case-by-case basis. If the student is allowed to remain in the athletic program, the Athletic Director will decide how and when the student moves forward based on the circumstances.

Any variation of this rule will only come from the Athletic Director.

## **Club / Select Team Participation:**

Participation in club/select teams during the school year has become common with many athletes. Participation is understood in many circumstances. However, missing practices or games for club/select teams will not be allowed. The first offense will be deemed as an unexcus ed absence, and a meeting between the coach and parents will be scheduled. The second offense may result in dismissal from the program.

## Strength & Conditioning:

All athletes who compete for Brazosport ISD will be required to participate in strength and conditioning throughout the school year. All athletes, whether in -season or off-season, will participate in some form of weight training. All athletes must compete in at least one sport to remain in the athletic period. Any athlete who goes one year without playing a sport will be removed from the athletic period.

#### **Fundraising:**

Brazosport ISD provides annual funds for athletic equipment, tournaments, and other necessary items for each program. In addition to these district funds, programs have an activity account for additional funds raised by each specific program. These funds typically come from an annual fundraiser, excess spirit wear sales, and working concessions. The availability of and need for funds will be a determining factor in the approval of the fundraiser. The ability to raise funds for projects does not determine the approval for projects. Many factors are involved when approving spending for sport-specific projects.

The head coach is responsible for communicating with the Athletic Director and/or campus Principal prior to beginning any fundraiser. Once discussed, the head coach must complete and submit the BISD Application for Fundraiser. The fundraiser will only begin once it is approved by the BISD administration. Parent volunteers may be used to assist the head coach with aspects of the planning but the head coach must be the primary contact and leader of the fundraiser.

No athletic program, spectators, or booster club may display any sign or banner on district property that provides advertisement to any company without the prior approval of the Athletic Director and BISD Operations Office.

#### Social Media:

Brazosport ISD understands that there may be times throughout the school year when different concerns or questions may arise. We encourage those concerns to be addressed face-to-face by setting up a conference time. Social media has become a very positive tool for communicating information. However, social media is also used as a means to express displeasure in many different areas. Social media is not an acceptable means of expressing negative comments toward the Brazosport ISD Athletic Department, its programs, or its staff and participants. If something negative is posted by an athlete or parent, an initial request will be made to have it removed. Negative posts by athletes are Category B offenses in the BISD Extracurricular Code of Conduct. Suspension points will be assessed based on the circumstance and may include removal from the athletic program.

Athletes are expected to represent themselves and BISD with high moral character at all times, including via social media.

Social media has become an ever-popular and easy way to communicate and share information between family and friends. Brazosport ISD athletic programs may have a fundraiser (see fundraisers section) or sell spirit wear from time to time. Social media presents a quick and easy way to get that information to family and friends. Posts should be specific to the fundraiser itself and not disclose opinions or statements about program needs. Simple communication of what is being sold is all that is needed in the post. Any other information posted may result in a request to remove the post.

## **Medical Policy:**

BISD has purchased a supplemental accident insurance policy for BISD students involved in UIL athletics and other activities. *Texas Kids First* provides coverage for all UIL-sanctioned athletics and academic activities. This includes school-sponsored, supervised vocational classes, ROTC, FFA, day-

only educational field trips, FHA, PE classes, and intramurals for grades 7-12. Coverage is also provided for students during summer camps that are organized by and held on the district premises. Healthcare coverage is also presented to students who are members of other organizations such as team managers, student athletic trainers, cheerleading, drill team, pep squads, and other UIL-sanctioned athletics and activities. This district plan is an accidental insurance policy prearranged for athletic-related activities only; not for sickness and/or illnesses or anything that occurs outside of athletics. The supplemental accident policy pays after the student's personal insurance policy. If the student does not have personal insurance, then the policy pays as primary insurance. The district policy always pays primarily to CHIP, Medicaid, and CHAMPUS.

## **Extracurricular Code of Conduct:**

In addition to the requirements in this handbook, athletes must comply with all aspects of the Brazosport ISD Extracurricular Code of Conduct. A copy of the ECC is attached in the appendix to this document.

The BISD Extracurricular Code of Conduct will be strictly enforced. If multiple games will be missed as the result of consequences, then dismissal from the team and the athletic program could occur at the discretion of the Athletic Director.

Any suspension assigned as a result of infractions during the off-season/summer will begin on the designated UIL start date for interschool competitions in their next sport. Suspensions assigned during the competition season will be enforced immediately. The Athletic Director will make a determination about how to handle any remaining suspension days not served if the season ends prior to the suspension ending.

A violation may be based on, but is not necessarily limited to the following criteria:

- A BISD employee has observed the behavior and notified the Athletic Director;
- A law enforcement officer has observed and reported the behavior;
- A law enforcement officer has issued the athlete a citation;
- The athlete is accused and openly admits to the infraction to the Athletic Director; or
- Any campus administration investigation and discipline assignment.

## **BISD Random Drug Testing Policy:**

All students who wish to participate in the athletic program must agree to be placed in the random drug testing pool and comply when randomly selected. A neutral company manages the list of participants.

## **BISD Intra-district Transfers:**

Students who transfer from one BISD high school to another for athletic purposes are ineligible to play varsity sports at the new school for one calendar year as determined by the Athletic Director no matter where the student's parent(s) reside.

# ATHLETIC CODE ATHLETIC PARTICIPANTS

I understand and consent to the responsibilities outlined in the Brazosport ISD Athletic Handbook and the Brazosport ISD Extracurricular Code of Conduct. I also understand and agree that I / my child shall be held accountable for the behavior and consequences outlined within the Athletic Codes.

The following signatures indicate that the student and his/her parent/guardian have read the following Brazosport ISD documents and are familiar with the contents. After signing and dating, please return to the appropriate coach.

This acknowledgment sheet must be signed and on file before the athlete is eligible to participate in games.

<b>Student Initials</b>	<b>Guardian Initials</b>	
		Brazosport ISD Athletic Handbook
		Brazosport ISD Extracurricular Code of Conduct
		Brazosport ISD Random Drug Testing

Student Name:	Campus:
Student Signature:	Grade Level:
Parent/Guardian Name:	Email:
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:

**APPENDIX A: BISD Extracurricular Code of Conduct** 



# **Brazosport Independent School District** Extracurricular Code of Conduct 2024-2025

#### Who is Subject to the Extracurricular Code of Conduct?

Any student who participates in one or more extracurricular activities is subject to the Extracurricular Code of Conduct (ECC). A student is subject to the ECC from the time he/she is selected for, elected to, or otherwise joins an extracurricular activity and continues to be subject to the ECC from that point forward unless or until the student no longer participates in extracurricular activities.

#### When Does the Extracurricular Code of Conduct Apply?

The privilege of representing the Brazosport ISD carries with it a greater responsibility to conduct oneself with respect and dignity and to serve as a role model for all students. Consequently, extracurricular activity participants are expected to comply with the ECC at all times, regardless of location. This includes both on and off-campus conduct as well as evenings, weekends, holidays, and summer vacation.

## What is Expected of Extracurricular Activity Participants?

Participants in extracurricular activities are representatives of Brazosport ISD and must conduct themselves in a manner that reflects positively on the School District at all times. Specifically, they must:

- Maintain an average of 70% or better in all academic courses, except as provided in District policy;
- Be punctual and prepared for all games, practices, meetings, performances, camps, and/or other scheduled events related to an extracurricular activity;
- Treat all school property with respect and ensure that school property is returned upon request and in good condition (excluding reasonable wear and tear);
- Abide by the District's dress and grooming standards for students as well as any dress and grooming standards applicable to the specific extracurricular activity;
- Comply with UIL rules and the standards expected of a good sportsperson;
- Be courteous and respectful toward all fellow participants, school faculty and staff members, spectators, parents, and officials, whether from Brazosport ISD or from any other school district;
- Provide 2 hours advance written notice to the coach or sponsor of an activity if they are unable to attend a game, practice, meeting, performance, and/or other scheduled event related to the extracurricular activity;
- Comply with all rules and guidelines in the ECC and those established for a specific extracurricular activity in which the student participates;
- Comply with and adhere to the behavioral standards identified in the District's Student Code of Conduct; and,
- Adhere to the Brazosport ISD Drug Testing Program as provided in FNF(Local).

#### What Conduct is Prohibited for Extracurricular Activity Participants?

#### **Category A Violations:**

- Engaging in theft, destruction, or misuse of school district property;
- Failing to return school property as directed where the property is valued at more than \$100;
- Engaging in hazing, harassment, or bullying of others as defined by the Brazosport ISD Student Code of Conduct;
- Buying, selling, giving, delivering, using, possessing, or being under the influence of vapes, alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, a controlled substance (without a proper prescription), or a dangerous drug at any time and regardless of whether the student is on school property or at a school-related activity;
- Engaging in any unreasonably dangerous athletic technique that unnecessarily endangers the health or safety of a student;
- Maintaining or being identified on a website or blog that depicts behavior that is illegal or is sexual in nature;
- Engaging in conduct prohibited by the District's Student Code of Conduct that is punishable by placement in DAEP or expulsion; and
- Engaging in any activity that results in an arrest regardless of the time or place.

#### **Category B Violations:**

- Being absent from games, meetings, practices, performances, camps, and/or other events without permission from the activity sponsor or coach;
- Engaging in acts of poor sportsmanship, such as cheating, using profane language, or taunting other participants;
- Being insubordinate to a coach or sponsor, including negative social media posts;
- Being disruptive during a game, meeting, practice, performance, camp, and/or another event;
- Failing to return school district property;
- Violating the established rules or guidelines of a specific extracurricular activity in which the student participates;
- Violating the District's standards for dress and grooming or the standards set for the specific extracurricular activity; and
- Engaging in general misconduct prohibited by the District's Student Code of Conduct.

#### **Consequences for ECC Violations**

#### Violation System:

Consequences for violating the conduct expectations of the ECC will be assessed based on a points system. When a campus coordinator determines that one or more points should be issued, the campus coordinator will notify the head coach who will communicate the consequence and/or point(s) issued.

**Category A Violations** will result in a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 5 points, at the discretion of the campus coordinator. The number of points issued will be based on the nature and severity of the violation, and on the student's past history of engaging in violations of the ECC.

**Category B Violations** will result in a minimum of 1 and a maximum of 3 points, at the discretion of the campus coordinator. The number of points issued will be based on the nature and severity of the violation, and on the student's past history of engaging in violations of the ECC.

Each school year, participants in extracurricular activities will begin with zero points. However, any consequences that were assessed during the prior school year and/or summer for which the student owes additional suspension or behavior contract time must still be completed. For example, a student who was suspended from participation/attending for 20 school days during the last week of school may have an additional 15 days of suspension to complete beginning with the next school year.

**3 Points:** The student will be suspended from participating in any extracurricular activity for 10 school days. \**The student is expected to attend all events for the in-season program he/she is participating in during the suspension. The student shall not be in a game uniform or participate in any on-field warm-ups/performances. Parent contact via email or telephone must occur prior to returning.* 

**5 Points:** The student will be suspended from participating in or attending any extracurricular activity for 20 school days for Category B violations and 30 school days for Category A violations and will be placed on a behavior contract for 12 school weeks. *\*The student is expected to attend all events for the in-season program he/she is participating in during the suspension. The student shall not be in a game uniform or participate in any on-field warm-ups/performances. An in-person parent meeting must occur prior to returning.* 

**7 Points:** The student will be suspended from participating in and attending any extracurricular activity for 60 school days and will be placed on a behavior contract for the remainder of the school year. \**The student is expected to attend all practices for the in-season program he/she is participating in during the suspension. The student <u>shall not attend any home or away</u> events as a participant with the team during the suspension. An in-person parent meeting must occur prior to returning.* 

**10 Points:** The student will be suspended from participating in all extracurricular activities for one calendar year from the date of the last incident. This suspension includes being removed from the athletic period. *An in-person parent meeting must occur prior to returning*.

**15 Points:** The student will be suspended from participation in all extracurricular activities for the remainder of the time the student attends BISD.

#### Who Determines that a Violation of the ECC has Occurred?

The Director of Athletics or Campus Coordinator will determine whether a violation of the ECC has occurred and will assess the appropriate consequence. The sport coach will report all program-level violations to the Director of Athletics or Campus Coordinator in order to assess the appropriate consequence. The sport coach will communicate the consequences to the student-athlete and parent/guardian.

#### How are Violations Determined?

A violation may be based on, but is not necessarily limited to the following criteria:

- A BISD employee has observed the behavior and notified the Athletic Director;
- A law enforcement officer has observed and reported the behavior;
- A law enforcement officer has issued the athlete a citation;
- The athlete is accused and openly admits to the infraction to the Athletic Director; or
- Any campus administration investigation and discipline assignment.

#### How will Consequences be Assessed for Different Violations of the ECC?

Consequences for violating the District's ECC are assessed based on the severity of the violation and the commission of prior ECC violations.

#### Is a Student Entitled to Participate in Extracurricular Activities?

No. Participation in extracurricular activities is a privilege, not a right. As such, a student's participation may be revoked at the district's discretion.

#### How Will Parents be Notified that a Violation of the ECC has Occurred?

Parents will be notified of all violations *that result in suspension from participation* in extracurricular activities. The sport coach will contact the student and the student's parent via telephone or face-to-face conference within 3 school days from the time the coach learns of such a violation. At this time, the coach will inform the parent and student that a violation of the ECC has occurred and discuss with them the applicable consequences.

**Note:** Students placed in DAEP are ineligible to participate in or attend extracurricular activities pursuant to Texas Education Code § 37.006(g).

**Note:** The standards of the ECC are independent of the Student Code of Conduct. Violations of these standards of behavior which are also violations of the Student Code of Conduct may result in a student being disciplined under both standards.

#### **APPENDIX B: BISD Drug & Alcohol Testing Program – FNF(LOCAL)**

A full description of the Brazosport ISD drug and alcohol testing program can be found on the following webpage. The page contains several informative links about the program as well as a FAQ page. <u>https://www.brazosportisd.net/cms/one.aspx?portalId=415458&pageId=536628</u> You can also navigate to the page from the BISD main page – District tab - Departments – Student Management – Drug & Alcohol Testing.

#### The goals of random drug and alcohol testing are:

- Deter Non-Using Students from Ever Using Drugs
- Encourage Non-Dependent Users to Stop Before They Get into Serious Addiction Issues
- Identify Students Who Need Early Intervention, Recovery Support, and/or Clinical Treatment Services
- Promote Health and Safety
- Undermine the Effects of Peer Pressure

#### What happens if a student tests positive?

Any specimens that test positive are tested again for confirmation utilizing the Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry (GC/MS) testing methodology. Parents are notified to determine if there is a medical explanation for the positive test result. If there is no medical explanation for the positive result, the district is notified. Parents/guardians will be given the opportunity to participate in a conference with the campus principal or designee. The student will receive counseling from the district or must show proof of external counseling. The following will also occur as a result of a positive result:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Offense: The student will be suspended from all competitive after-school extracurricular activities and/or parking permit privileges for 15 school days.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Offense: The student will be suspended from all competitive after-school extracurricular activities and/or parking permit privileges for 30 school days.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Offense: The student will be suspended from all competitive after-school extracurricular activities and/or parking permit privileges for one calendar year from the date of the confirmation of the third positive test. The student must consent to a drug test at the end of the year suspension in order to regain eligibility.

#### **APPENDIX C: Athletic Training Room Guidelines**

- The ATR is, first and foremost, a healthcare facility and should be treated in such a manner.
- ALL doctor notes pertaining to any athletic restrictions/clearance MUST be turned in to the athletic training staff.
- NO FOOD or DRINKS (except water) allowed in the ATR.
- Athletes must sign in prior to receiving treatment. If you do not know how to sign in, ask one of the certified athletic trainers or student athletic trainers.
- Treatment/Evaluation times, Monday-Friday, are 6:30-7:15 am. The ONLY exception is for those athletes that ride the bus, who may come during their athletic period. Otherwise, you are to be at practice participating or listening to instructions and can always be learning something.
- Athletes must come in appropriate attire for treatment or rehabilitation. A shirt and shorts/pants must be worn at all times, including in the whirlpool.
- NO shoes on the tables. NO cleats or spikes are allowed in the ATR.
- NO profanity, derogatory/abusive, or disrespectful language in the ATR. NO horseplay.
- Return ALL equipment issued by athletic training staff (i.e., crutches, ACE wraps, neoprene garments, ankle braces, boots, etc). Athletes will be financially responsible for items that are not returned. ONLY one will be issued out, if an athlete forgets it or loses it, they will not be given another one.
- DO NOT take any equipment from the ATR unless given permission.
- Athletes are not allowed in the ATR without supervision.
- Being in the ATR is not an excuse to be late to practice unless prior arrangements have been made between the coach, athlete, and athletic trainer.
- During holiday breaks, treatments will be done by appointment ONLY.
- ALL shoes, backpacks, athletic equipment, or excess gear are to be left outside in the cubie.
- Athletic Trainers are allowed to administer one dose of Ibuprofen or Tylenol to athletes once per day and ONLY for immediate injuries when deemed necessary. It will NOT be given out every day to an athlete.