



# MCDONOUGH ATHLETICS

WARHAWK PRIDE!

## MCDONOUGH HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT CODE OF CONDUCT AGREEMENT, VIOLATIONS, AND CONSEQUENCES FOR EXTRACURRICULAR PARTICIPATION

Participation in extracurricular activities is a privilege at McDonough High School, not a right. It is understood by all students, parents, coaches, and sponsors that the top priority is academic progress. Everyone involved in our athletic department will make every effort not to interfere with that goal, because that goal is the catalyst for us achieving our vision: "Produce Renowned Individuals Dedicated to Excellence," or PRIDE. Therefore, we greet each other with "Warhawk PRIDE" to serve as a reminder that having pride in our school and community extends beyond sports. Pride in our school and community will lead to an increase in pride we have in the way we present ourselves to the world.

We must lead this building with intentionality! We must be different! What we do, where we do it, when we do it, and how we do it will be the model for the rest of the student-body, as well as the community. We must have pride in being a Warhawk. It is where you currently are in life, and you must embrace it. These four (4) years will set up the next forty (40) years of your life. We must be always honest, accountable for our actions while holding others accountable, work harder than we did the day before, and we must know what is going on and why! Every detail matters. To ensure accountability and leadership, please refer to the teacher-level and administrator level violations and consequences below and on the back of this page.

**NOTE:** Coaches or sponsors may establish rules and consequences that are more specific to their program. Although, the purpose of this Code of Conduct is to establish a minimum standard of behavior for our athletics department.

"You do not rise to the level of your goals; you fall to the level of your systems.' If you want better results forget about setting goals; focus on your system instead. Goals are just the end product of the results you want to achieve; systems are about the processes that lead to those results."  
– James Clear (Atomic Habits)

## WARHAWK PRIDE!

### Our Mission:

To ensure exceptional extra-curricular opportunities are accessible to all students who exemplify a commitment to:

Honesty – Accountability – Work – Knowledge

### Our Vision:

Produce Renowned Individuals Dedicated to Excellence

## TEACHER-LEVEL DISCIPLINARY VIOLATIONS & CONSEQUENCES

VIOLATION	CONSEQUENCE
<p><b>Conduct detrimental to the image of the school and athletic department</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unauthorized Area / Skipping</li> <li>• Hats / Hoods on</li> <li>• Shades</li> <li>• Sagging</li> <li>• Inappropriate physical contact / Horseplay</li> <li>• Inappropriate language</li> <li>• Reported teacher redirection</li> </ul>	<p>1<sup>st</sup> Offense – Conference with Head Coach and Athletic Director to discuss team specific discipline</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> Offense – Office referral/In-School Suspension (Flip page for ISS consequences)</p>

## ADMINISTRATOR-LEVEL DISCIPLINARY VIOLATIONS & CONSEQUENCES

VIOLATION	CONSEQUENCE	NOTES
<b>Violation of school rules resulting in In-School Suspension (ISS) during the season.</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Offense – Conference with Head Coach and Athletic Director to discuss team specific discipline  2 <sup>nd</sup> Offense – 1 game suspension (No exceptions – Homecoming, Senior night, playoffs, etc)  3 <sup>rd</sup> Offense – Dismissal from team	Student may not practice or compete while serving suspension time. Student may return only after speaking with the Athletic Director and their respective Head Coach.
<b>Violation of school rules resulting in Out-of-School Suspension (OSS) during the season.</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Offense – 1 game suspension (No exceptions – Homecoming, Senior night, playoffs, etc)  2 <sup>nd</sup> Offense – Dismissal from team	These consequences reset annually.  *See appeals process below
<b>Assigned to Long Term Suspension (LTS), Expulsion (EXP);</b>  <b>OR</b>  <b>Charged with a delinquent act identified as a misdemeanor under the laws of Georgia, regardless of location or time of the alleged act and whether in or out of school.</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Offense – Dismissal from team  2 <sup>nd</sup> Offense – Suspended one (1) calendar year from all extracurriculars (begins with date of Long-Term Suspension, Expulsion, and/or charges).  3 <sup>rd</sup> Offense – Suspended from all extracurriculars for the rest of his/her 9th through 12th grade education.	These consequences carry-over annually, and <b>do not</b> reset.  A second or subsequent arrest for a misdemeanor charge will result in the student being suspended until the case is adjudicated.
<b>Charged with a delinquent act identified as a felony under the laws of Georgia, regardless of location or time of the alleged act and whether in or out of school.</b>	<b>*** SUSPENDED UNTIL CASE IS ADJUDICATED***</b>  1 <sup>st</sup> Offense – Suspended one (1) calendar year from all extracurriculars (begins with date of Long-Term Suspension, Expulsion, and/or charges).  2 <sup>nd</sup> Offense – Suspended from all extracurriculars for the rest of his/her 9th through 12th grade education.	A combination of a felony conviction and a misdemeanor conviction will result in the student being suspended from all extracurricular activities for one (1) calendar year. A combination of a felony conviction and two (2) misdemeanor convictions will result in the student being suspended from all extracurricular activities for the rest of his/her 9th through 12th grade education.
<b>Charged with an act identified as Murder, Rape, Armed Robbery, Aggravated Child Molestation, Aggravated Sodomy, Aggravated Sexual Battery, and/or Voluntary Manslaughter under the laws of Georgia, regardless of location or time of the alleged act and whether in or out of school.)</b>	<b>*** SUSPENDED UNTIL CASE IS ADJUDICATED***</b>  1 <sup>st</sup> Offense – Suspended from all extracurriculars for the rest of his/her 9th through 12th grade education.	These consequences carry-over annually, and <b>do not</b> reset.

**NOTE:** Any arrest of the student-athlete must be reported to the athletic director, coach, or administrator within 72 hours of the arrest, even during school breaks. Failure to do so could result in the student-athlete being suspended for one calendar year upon evidence proving an arrest occurred.

### **APPEAL PROCEDURE**

Any student wishing to appeal an athletic suspension must submit in writing to the Principal why he/she should not be disciplined as outlined. This request will then be forwarded to the members of the review committee for their consideration. Parents will be given a written statement of decision from the committee.

\*\*The review committee will be made up of the Henry County Schools Athletic Coordinator, Principal, one (1) Assistant Principal, Athletic Director, and one (1) school counselor.

Student's PRINTED Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sport(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_