

West York Area School District
CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES – ELIGIBILITY

Participation in co-curricular activities at West York Area School District is a privilege. Through participation, a student gains a sense of self-satisfaction and pride. All students are encouraged to participate in co-curricular activities.

A. To be eligible for co-curricular activity participation, a student must pursue a curriculum defined and approved by the principal as a full-time curriculum at West York Area School District. The student must maintain acceptable grades in such approved curriculum as certified by the principal.

B. In each of the reporting time categories listed below, the student must be passing all subjects. Eligibility will be reported:

1. On a weekly basis during the marking period.
2. At the end of each marking period.
3. At the completion of each course (semester).
4. At the end of the year.

Teachers will report academic eligibility on Friday of each week throughout the activity.

C. When a student does not meet the standard listed in Section:

1. B-1, he/she will be ineligible from the immediately following Sunday through and **including** the next Saturday. Each student activity participant will be given one-week probation for the first failing grade during each semester. **Exception #1, if the failing weekly grade is preceded by a marking period failure, the probation is forfeited and the student will become ineligible. Exception #2, if the student is failing two or more subjects within a given week, the probation is forfeited and the student will become ineligible.** When the student receives his or her second failure, the student will become ineligible following the preceding guidelines. This rule does not apply to B-2 or B-3.
2. B-2 and B-3, he/she will be ineligible for fifteen (15) school days of the next grading period beginning on the first day report cards are issued.
3. B-4, his/her eligibility will be the same as B-2 and B-3 unless the student attends summer school and corrects the deficiencies, in which case the student will be immediately eligible to participate in any fall activity.

D. Any student transferring into the West York Area School District must meet and comply with the standards of West York's academic requirements.

E. A student must be in attendance by 9:30 a.m. in order to participate or practice in any co-curricular activity that day. A student must be in attendance by 9:30 a.m. on Friday to participate or practice in any co-curricular activity that weekend. Exceptions must be approved by the administration.

**CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES
 CODE OF CONDUCT**

Co-curricular activities are defined as any non-academic activity taking place beyond the normal school day. The following guidelines shall apply to any participant in a co-curricular activity.

I. Categories/Rules and Regulations:

- A. Smoking or the use of tobacco products is prohibited.
- B. Buying, distributing, possessing or using alcoholic beverages is prohibited.
- C. Buying, distributing, possessing or using illegal drugs or substances misrepresented as illegal drugs is prohibited.
- D. Buying, distributing, possessing or using body-building, muscle enhancement anabolic steroids, except for valid medical purposes, is prohibited in accordance with Act 93 of 1989 (SB 454).
- E. Violations of the school or criminal code, or any improper conduct that is unsportsmanlike and results in actions which are detrimental to individuals, any school, or the public welfare are prohibited.

- F. Any other offense will be dealt with at the discretion of the athletic coach or activity advisor in accordance with section II-B.

II. Disciplinary Action/Procedural Guidelines:

- A. Violation of Rules I-A, I-B, I-C, I-D, or I-E will result in written notification of parents, immediate dismissal from the activity for the duration of that activity, and dismissal from all other co-curricular activities for a period of sixty (60) calendar days during the academic year. The sixty (60) calendar day suspension may be reduced, depending upon the circumstances of the situation and/or if the student successfully completes a counseling program approved by the principal.
- B. Violation of Rule I-F will be enforced as follows:
 - 1. A first violation will result in a verbal reprimand from coach or advisor.
 - 2. A second violation will result in suspension from participation in the next regularly scheduled event along with notification to the principal and parents by the coach or advisor involved.
 - 3. A third violation will result in dismissal from the co-curricular activity and written notification to the parents signed by coach and principal.
- C. Following any violation that results in dismissal from the co-curricular activity, parents may request a conference with a committee composed of the Coach or Advisor, Athletic Director, Assistant Athletic Director, Principal, and the Superintendent or designee. In all cases, the decision of the committee will be final.
- D. Students suspended in- or out-of-school may not participate or practice in the co-curricular activity until the suspension has been fulfilled.
- E. Any member of a co-curricular activity who withdraws or is dismissed from the activity for an infraction of an established policy of the coach/advisor, school, or PIAA Bylaws automatically forfeits the right to receive any award or any other honor or privilege which he/she would have received as a member of that activity.
- F. All rules and regulations will be enforced seven days a week, twenty-four hours a day for the full length of the season or activity.

CODE OF CONDUCT AGREEMENT

Participation in co-curricular activities can be dangerous. Injuries, possibly life-threatening, may occur in both practices and contests. Our intent is to inform you of the risks involved in all co-curricular activities.

We have been informed of the risk of injuries inherent in participating in co-curricular activities, and we agree to abide by the West York Area School District policies set forth on this document, and the decisions involving any violations of the policies.

Each sports season/activity, the student participant must submit to the Athletic Department/activity advisor a completed and signed Code of Conduct form before the student is permitted to practice or participate in any co-curricular activity. Additionally, athletes must submit a completed and signed Physical/Team Registration form to the Athletic Department in order to practice or participate in a sport. All Code of Conduct forms will be forwarded to the Principal.

Parent/Guardian Signature	Date	Parent/Guardian Name (Print)
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Student Signature	Date	Student Name (Print)
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Sport/Activity	Graduation Year
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