

Eligibility Rules

To be eligible to participate and to remain in a League sponsored activity, students must follow the rules as stated in the "Athletic Eligibility Bulletin," and the additional Bemidji School District Eligibility Rules for Minnesota State High School League Activities and Bemidji School District sponsored Activities: {Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country Running and Skiing, Danceline, Gymnastics, Football, Hockey, Swimming, Tennis, Track, Volleyball, Wrestling, Softball and Cheerleading.} The additional rules are:

- A. During the calendar year, regardless of the quantity, a student shall not use or have in possession a beverage containing alcohol; use tobacco; or use or consume, have in possession, buy or sell, or give away marijuana or any substance defined by law as a drug. It is not a prescribed for the students own use by his/her doctor.
- B. **Penalties and Recommendations for the above Activities**
 1. **First Violation:**
Penalty: After confirmation of the first violation, the student shall lose eligibility for the next 21 days of the Season in which the student is a participant, or for the next 3 interscholastic contests whichever is greater. During this time the student will be expected to practice. The Chemical Health Facilitator will meet with the student during suspension from activities.
 2. **Second Violation:**
Penalty: After confirmation of the second violation, the student shall lose eligibility for the next 42 days of the season in which the student is a participant or for the next six (6) interscholastic contests whichever is greater. During this time the student will be expected to practice. If the penalty is not completed by the end of the season in which the student is participating, the remainder will be served in the next season. The Chemical Health Facilitator will meet with the student during suspension from activities.
 3. **Third and Subsequent Violation:**
Penalty: After confirmation of the third or subsequent violation, the student shall lose eligibility for the next 12 months following the violation. If after the third violation, the student has been assessed to be chemically dependent and the student on his/her own volition completes a chemical dependency program or treatment program, the student may be certified for reinstatement by the activities director, in MSHSL activities after a minimum period of six (6) weeks. Such certification must be issued by the director or a counselor of a dependency treatment center.
 4. Penalties shall be accumulative beginning with the student's first participation at the middle school level.

Bemidji School District Eligibility Rules for District sponsored Extra-Curriculum Fine Art Programs.

Penalties:

1. **First Violation:**
Penalty: After confirmation of the first violation, the student shall lose eligibility for the next two (2) consecutive performing events in which the student is a participant. The Chemical Health Facilitator will meet with the student during suspension from activities.
2. **Second Violation:**
Penalty: After confirmation of the second violation, the student shall lose eligibility for the next 3 (three) consecutive performing events in which the student is a participant. The Chemical Health Facilitator will meet with the student during suspension from activities.
3. **Third Violation:**
Penalty: After confirmation of the third violation, the student shall lose eligibility for the next 12 months following the violation. If after the third violation the student has been assessed to be chemically dependent and the student on his/her own volition completes a chemical dependency program or treatment program, then the student may be certified for reinstatement. Such certification must be issued by the director of a counselor of a chemical dependency treatment center.
4. Penalties shall be accumulative beginning with the student's first participation at the middle school level.

****Students in attendance at a “kegger,” party, night club or in a vehicle where alcohol is present without being accompanied by a parent, will be deemed as being in possession of alcohol. Students in attendance at a “kegger,” party, night club or in a vehicle where any substance defined by law; as a drug is present, will be deemed as being in possession of those substances.**

****Rule Scholarship: Beginning with the second term of their freshman year, any student who fails to maintain a 2.0 cumulative grade point average will be declared ineligible for all extra-curricular activities until they are making satisfactory progress towards a 2.0 cumulative GPA. During this period, students will be expected to turn in weekly progress reports to the Activities Director which will determine eligibility status.**

Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Student Signature _____