



ACTIVITIES CODE

At Black Hawk College, we expect students to strive to their potential and encourage them to participate in extracurricular activities. We expect students to represent their school and community with dignity, respect and good sportsmanship.

Participation in extracurricular activities is a privilege and not a right for our students. Students who represent Black Hawk College in extracurricular activities must be drug, alcohol and tobacco free, i.e., no possession or use of illegal drugs and no illegal use of legal drugs.

In addition, students involved in extracurricular activities may not attend activities where alcohol or drugs are illegally used or be associated with or involved in gang-related activities. Activities covered by the Code include, but are not limited to all athletic teams. Athletic teams will be subject to the penalties described in the Code.

The Code shall be enforced throughout the calendar year from the date of the student's first signing. The Code will then be in effect throughout the student's attendance at Black Hawk College. Penalties for violations of the Code, when reported by law enforcement, school personnel, or parent/guardian of the student involved in the violation, shall be imposed during the student's current season/activity and may be carried over if necessary. When students are suspended, they are suspended for all school activities for that length of time. A subsequent offense, occurring within one calendar year, will be considered a second or third offense. If a student goes one calendar year from the date a penalty is imposed without another violation, she/he will be reinstated as if there was no prior violation. This reinstatement may be used only one time during a student's attendance at Black Hawk College.

Students in extracurricular activities will discuss the Activities Code and rules for their specific activity or sport with their coaches/advisors, parents/guardians and teammates and make a commitment to the rules of the Code by signing at the beginning of each new activity or season.

Black Hawk College reserves the right to enforce the Code at any time and with any level of penalty when it is deemed that a student's behavior detracts from the image and standards of the school. A penalty may be extended to include another season or the next school year. If the Athletic Department suspects any usage of illegal drugs, he/she may be tested at the expense of the college. If the results are positive, the student/athlete will have to serve under their suspension under the First Offense.

LEVEL 1 OFFENSE:

Including, but not limited to, use of possession of alcohol, illegal drugs or tobacco, illegal use of legal drugs, hosting a party where drugs and/or alcohol are present, and/or involvement in gang activity.

First Offense:

Suspension from one-third (1/3) of the activity. (If the student seeks professional drug/alcohol services, at his or her parent's expense and completes the recommended treatment, the penalty may be reduced to one-quarter (1/4) of the activity.)

Second Offense:

Suspension for a season/activity.

Third Offense:

Suspension for 2 seasons/activity.

If a student is between seasons/activities or not currently participating, then the penalty may be imposed during the next season/activity.

If an alcohol or drug offense occurs, mandatory contact with the school's substance abuse coordinator is required. The student may not participate in his or her activity (that includes practice) until the coach/advisor receives notification from the school's coordinator that contact has been made and the individual is cleared to participate.

LEVEL 2 OFFENSES

Including, but not limited to, attendance at an event where alcohol or drugs are being used illegally (even though the student is not in possession of any of the above) and other acts which may be grounds for arrest.

First Offense:

Probation and six (6) hours of school service to be determined by the administration.

Second Offense:

Suspension for one-third (1/3) of the activity.

Third Offense

Suspension for a season/activity.

Decisions made regarding the enforcement of the Code will be communicated in writing to the student and his/her parents. The parents may request a review by the administrative team by contacting the Director of Athletics within thirty (30) days of the written notice.

I have read the Black Hawk College Activities Code and understand that my participation in extra-curricular activities is a privilege. I agree to follow the Activities Code the entire two eligibility years. I also realize that any violation may result in disciplinary action.

Print Name: _____

Sport: _____

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____