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Calumet-Laurium-Keweenaw Athletic Policies

MHSAA & CHS Sponsored High School Sports

Boys Basketball

Girls Basketball

Cheerleading

Boys Cross Country

Girls Cross Country

Football

Boys Golf

Girls Golf

Hockey

Swimming (co-op)

Boys Track

Girls Track

Girls Volleyball

7th & 8th Grade Sports

Boys Basketball

Girls Basketball

Cheerleading

Boys Cross Country

Girls Cross Country

Contact Football

Boys Track

Girls Track

Girls Volleyball

C-L-K COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT ATHLETIC PROGRAM GOALS

It is a goal of the athletic program to give as many students as possible the opportunity to participate in interscholastic sports; however, there may be a need to limit team sizes in some sports due either to state regulation or the need to maintain a manageable number of participants. In these cases, the coaches involved will make a sincere effort to give every interested student a fair try-out to make the team. Team selections will be based solely on the individual abilities in that sport. Membership on a team does not guarantee participation in every competition.

Component sports of the interscholastic athletic program shall:

- ◆ afford all students the opportunity to improve physical fitness through strenuous activities that are planned and supervised
- ◆ provide a controlled environment within which athletes will learn the significance of rules and regulations and to respect those who enforce them
- ◆ develop in athletes the high ideals of sportsmanship including fair play, poise and humility, pride and compassion in victory and defeat
- ◆ develop courage through challenge of competition
- ◆ emphasize teamwork, team identity, and the role of each participant as a team member
- ◆ teach athletes to strive to win utilizing strength and skill developed through rigorous self-discipline
- ◆ cause participants to develop self awareness by helping them strive to reach their physical and mental limits
- ◆ teach participants to set goals and subsequently work to achieve them
- ◆ foster an appreciation of the role sports may play in enhancing the quality of life

GENERAL REGULATIONS

Athletes and their parents (or guardians) both must sign the "Consent & Athletic Code Acknowledgement" form indicating that they have received, read and understand the athletic policies, and will abide by and support them. This form must be in the hands of the Athletic Director before the athlete is permitted to compete. This procedure applies for each and every sport and applies to each and every participant every time they participate.

GENERAL CONDUCT

- 1) An athlete whose attitude or actions in school, out of school, or while participating in athletics (in the school's judgment) is detrimental to the philosophy of the athletic program will be subject to the same disciplinary action as for the athletic rules (see below).**
- 2) When an athlete is suspended for disciplinary reasons that require a board hearing for reinstatement, the athlete will automatically be suspended from sports until the matter is resolved.**
- 3) If an athlete is SUSPENDED FROM SCHOOL, the athlete will NOT participate or practice in sports until he is reinstated.**

ATHLETIC RULES

The Athletic Code is enforced beginning with your participation in athletics at CHS. The Athletic Code is in effect year round from this point on.

POSSESSION OR USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS, ALCOHOL, USE OR THE SALE OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES AND FILED CRIMINAL COMPLAINTS

Penalties will be calculated as follows:

Sport	Regular season scheduled contests	1 st offense 10% of regular season contests	2 nd offense 25% of regular season contests	3 rd offense
Boys & Girls Varsity Basketball	20	10% x 20 = 2 games	25% x 20 = 5 games	Suspension from all athletics for one calendar year from the date of the third offense ↓
Boys & Girls Cross Country	9	10% x 9 = .9 = 1 meet	25% x 9 = 2.25 = 2 meets	
Football	9	10% x 9 = .9 = 1 game	25% x 9 = 2.25 = 2 games	
Golf	7	10% x 7 = .7 = 1 game	25% x 7 = 1.75 = 2 games	
Hockey	24	10% x 24 = 2.4 = 2 games	25% x 24 = 6 games	
Boys & Girls Track	8	10% x 8 = .8 = 1 meet	25% x 8 = 2 meets	
Volleyball		10% of scheduled matches	25% of scheduled matches	
Swimming		10% of scheduled meets	25% of scheduled meets	

Formulas will be applied in the same manner to junior varsity, freshman and junior high teams. Percentages will be rounded off to the nearest whole number. Example: 1.4 or below will constitute a one game penalty; 1.5 or above would constitute a two game penalty.

Game suspensions carry into the next sport season or the next year if the violation occurs in a spring sport.

All students/athletes who decide to participate in a sport must begin practicing with the team before the start of the first regular season contest. If an athlete reports later than the first regular scheduled team practice, they **must** practice a minimum of two weeks before entering into any interscholastic competition. Junior varsity and freshman participants in fall sports will be given until the end of the first full week of school to report to practice due to summer vacation. Exceptions to this rule would be for transfer students and for any medical related reason.

If an athlete participated in a sport with the intention of satisfying their suspension obligation and then quits prior to the end of the season, the fulfillment of the suspension will be nullified. The position of team manager will not fulfill suspension obligations.

In summation, in order for an athlete to fulfill suspension obligations by participating in an athletic season that athlete must participate in all obligations including practices and interscholastic competitions.

Violations build from year to year. (Example: if a violation occurs in 9th grade and another in 10th grade, it will be considered the second violation).

Violations are considered as a group. (Example: use of tobacco is a first offense and then an athlete receives another violation for use of alcohol, that would be considered the second offense.)

Counseling with "Professional Counselors" may be prescribed:

- 1) If an athlete is participating in a sport at the time of an athletic violation that is not for the balance of the season, the athlete MUST continue to practice in that sport.**
- 2) An athlete who is suspended from participation in athletic contests because of an athletic violation will not suit up for scheduled contest(s) and will not sit on the bench with the team.**
- 3) A member of the administration will notify the student's parents or guardians and coaches of the rule infraction.**

GENERAL INFORMATION

ATHLETIC AWARDS

Because of the difference of one sport to another, the requirements and/or criteria for awarding athletic awards varies. The Head Coach of each individual sport should inform the athletes of the letter requirements.

Senior athletic awards are presented only to those seniors who participate and letter in their senior year.

BANQUETS (FALL, WINTER AND SPRING)

Calumet High School provides an athletic Awards Night after each sport. Each and every athlete is encourage to attend. In the event that an athlete is unable to attend, he or she must inform his or her coach. Parents are encouraged to attend. Athletes involved in spring sports receive their awards at a pizza luncheon in school.

BOOSTER CLUB

The Booster Club is composed of parents and interested people that help boost C-L-K athletics. Meetings are held in the High School Assembly and they are announced in advance. Encourage your parents to join the Booster Club and attend the meetings.

CANCELATION OF SPORTING EVENTS

When school is canceled due to weather or other causes, all athletic events are also canceled.

CURFEW

Curfew hours apply only while the participant is engaged as a member of a team. Curfew hours are at the discretion of the coach.

DROPPING OUT OF A SPORT

An athlete who decides to switch a sport must do so before the first interscholastic contest or he/she will NOT be able to participate in another sport until the sport dropped completes its season.

An athlete who quits or is dropped from a squad automatically forfeits all athletic awards: letter awards, conference, U.P., State Honors and banquets for that sport.

ELIGIBILITY ACADEMIC

Previous Semester Record

No student shall compete in any athletic contest during any semester who has not successfully completed twenty-five (25) credit hours of work for the last semester during which he or she shall have been enrolled in grades nine through twelve. Transfer students shall have met the academic eligibility standards of the school in which they had been enrolled during the previous semester.

According the MHSAA regulation Section 7 (C), “deficiencies of the previous semester (not current semester), including incompletes, conditions, and failures from a previous semester may be made up during a subsequent semester, summer session, night school, by correspondence, on-line or by tutoring, as long as a school’s policies are applied equally to all student athletes without regard to athletic performance or potential. Eligibility may be reinstated during the next semester when the school accepts the credit.

Current Semester Record

No student shall participate in any athletic contest or event who does not have a passing grade from the beginning of the semester to the Friday preceding the contest or event, in studies aggregating at least twenty-five (25) credit hours per week.

AGE

All athletes must be under nineteen years of age at time of contest unless their nineteenth birthday occurs on or after September 1 of the current school year, in which case the student is eligible for the balance of that school year in all sports.

EQUIPMENT

In all cases, you have the finest equipment money can buy. Each athlete is responsible for his/her equipment. Any lost, damaged, or unreasonable wear of equipment, you will be required to pay for the loss, damage or unreasonable wear.

INSURANCE

Insurance obligations are the responsibility of the athlete and his/her parents.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASS

No athlete is to use any athletic equipment when participating in a physical education class.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS

All athletes must have a physical exam card on file in the Athletic Director's office before he/she may practice or participate in a sport. One physical exam per year is all that is required. The physical card must be completely filled out and signed by the guardian or parent of the athlete. **Be especially careful to check that the name of your insurance company is filled in.**

SCHOOL DAY EXCUSE

Athletes will be excused from class if it is necessary to leave for an athletic contest during the school day. The athlete must make arrangements for make-up work with the teachers for classes he/she will miss ahead of time.

In order to practice or compete in athletics, athletes must be in attendance during the school day.

LATE RETURN FROM A GAME

As stated in Board policy adopted May 11, 1999:

“All student athletes need to attend school the next day for the beginning of the day, regardless of the time they arrive home from an athletic event.”

SEASONS OF COMPETITION

Athletes are allowed to participate in one (1) interscholastic sport per athletic season. The maximum number of sports an athlete may participate in, in a school year, is three (3). (One in the fall, winter and spring.)

An athlete may **not** have more than four first and four second semester seasons of competition. According to MHSAA regulations (Sec. 5, #30), "if a student who is enrolled in grades nine through twelve is ruled ineligible for any reason for one or more semesters, those semesters count as semesters of competition".

SEMESTERS OF ENROLLMENT

Student athletes must NOT have been enrolled for more than eight semesters in grades nine through twelve inclusive.

TRANSPORTATION

The practice of athletes riding home with parents from games is discouraged. If parents or guardians insist that the student ride home with them, they should present a note to the coach and personally receive the athlete from the coach. **It is a requirement that these arrangements be made through the Principal's or Athletic Director's office before the team leaves on a trip.**

An athlete is never to come home with anyone other than his/her parents unless special permission has been granted from the Principal's office.

BUS DROP OFF PROCEDURE

Students will not be dropped off door to door. Parents will need to pick up their child at the drop-off locations or make arrangements.

The first stop will be at the State Police Post upon entering Calumet for those students living in the area of the golf course. The bus will travel as always through Laurium, making its main stop at the Washington Middle School, football field or the Calumet Armory depending on the sport. After the main drop-off, the bus will travel along US 41; making stops at the Wolverine Market, Allouez Amoco, Lassila Insurance, with the final drop site being the Superior National Bank in Mohawk. The bus will also swing through Copper City and drop-off at the Post Office if necessary.

Coaches will estimate the approximate time of arrival. Cell phones are available on the bus for students to call home to give parents an approximate arrival time for pick-up. Use of the phones will be limited and at the discretion of the coach. Students who need to use the phone should ask their coach upon arriving in Houghton. It is the responsibility of the parent to pick up their child at the designated drop-off location, as mentioned previously.

REMEMBER . . . **ALL** athletes must have the following on file in the Athletic Director's Office before participating in interscholastic athletics:

- 1) Physical exam card
- 2) Consent and Acknowledgement Form
- 3) Insurance waiver