

# Vaughn School Extracurricular Rules and Procedures

## **EXTRA-CURRICULAR GRADING REQUIREMENTS**

A student is deemed ineligible if he or she has a failing grade in any class, less than a 2.0 cumulative GPA, or has an incomplete in any subject area. Any exceptions to these rules will need to be approved by the Principal of Vaughn Public School.

Eligibility for athletic and other extra-curricular activities shall be determined on a weekly basis. The list of ineligible students will be turned in to the Principal's office no later than noon on Monday. Eligibility or ineligibility will begin Monday at 3:30 PM, and it shall continue until the next Monday. The eligibility rules are in effect for all students in grades 5-8. The following events are included: boys' and girls' basketball, boys' football, girls' volleyball, wrestling, boys' and girls' track.

The first time a student is placed on the ineligible list, he or she will be able to attend and participate in practice. However, that student will not be allowed to play or participate in that week's events. Upon the second offense, the student will not be able to practice or participate in that week's events. For the third offense, the student may be dropped from further participation if it is warranted.

## **SUBSTANCE USE**

*This section details the following policies adopted by the Vaughn School Board of Trustees:*

*3310-Student Discipline  
8225-Tobacco Free Policy*

*Also, the Vaughn School Board of Trustees clearly states in the adopted student handbook that minors in possession of or using alcoholic beverages, drugs, or tobacco products on school property will result in school personnel contacting the proper authority for legal recourse.*

### **Alcohol, Tobacco, or Drugs:**

Vaughn School holds high standards and high expectations for its students and believes that its students represent the greater community that it serves. In the event Vaughn School is notified by self-referral, a school employee, or federal, state, or local law enforcement agencies that a student has violated laws involving the use, possession or being under the influence of alcohol, drugs, marijuana or other mood-altering drugs, Vaughn School will enforce procedures as outlined below.

### **First Offense:**

- Conference with student, coach/sponsor/teacher and administrator.
- Parent/guardian notification.
- Activity suspension for 2 competitive weeks.

### **Second Offense:**

- Conference with student, coach/sponsor/teacher, parent/guardian and administrator.
- Immediate activity suspension for the remainder of the school year or for 8 school weeks, whichever is longer.
- Referral for professional help at student's expense.

**Notes: Drug and Alcohol offenses will accumulate and carry over from year to year. The selling or dealing of drugs will result in an immediate expulsion hearing.**

**-Students and their property are subject to search & seizure at any time there is reasonable suspicion.**

### **EXPECTED ATHLETIC CONDUCT**

- Playing time, play calling, and team strategy are topics left to the coaches' discretion. Persistent questioning of coaching judgment on these matters will not be tolerated and may require removal from practices and/or games.
- **Practices are not optional.** You are required to be at all scheduled practices unless you have an excused absence which comes in the form of parental notification to the coaches. Unexcused absences will require action from the coaching staff that may include missing a scheduled game/meet, two (2) unexcused absences could result in removal from the team.
- **RESPECT!** Intensity is encouraged; but aggressive, negative comments will not be tolerated. Always respect your opponents, teammates, and coaches regardless of the situation. Remember people don't see only you, they see the school's name across the jersey. Refusal to comply with coach's directions will result in dismissal from practice and parental notification. This missed practice will count toward practice attendance.
- **NO HAZING!** Hazing is any activity intentionally for the purpose of intimidation where a person(s) humiliates, degrades, or physically and/or mentally abuses any other person. This also includes but is not limited to verbal abuse designed to intimidate other players on our team or a competitor. If a player disregards this direction, it will be up to the coaches' discretion whether the player will continue to hold a position on the team.

At no time is insubordination acceptable. If an athlete fails to comply with coaching directions, coaches will conform to the following protocol:

- Player will be approached and asked to follow direction in a calm fashion.
- If player neglects to follow direction after first request, the direction will be repeated.
- If player continues to neglect direction, they will be asked to leave practice or a game/meet as disruption of practice or games/meets will not be tolerated. Parents will be notified.
- If player actions cause the removal from practice or game/meet, it will be up to the coaches' discretion whether the player will continue to hold a position on the team.

These are other responsibilities expected of student athletes:

- The locker areas are to be kept clean and there will be no horseplay in these areas. Lockers, the contents, and any items that are not yours are completely forbidden. Disrupting others property could result in removal from the team.
- Students are expected to conform to the overall school's standards of behavior and to demonstrate respect and good sportsmanship in all athletic situations. If needed, Mr. Jardee, School Principal, will discuss issues with players and institute necessary consequences.
- Vaughn School athletes are expected to set excellent examples in all athletic contests, other schools, on buses, and at all times.
- Athletes have been asked to maintain a dress code on dates of competition. This includes but is not limited to dress slacks, skirts, and dresses. Please provide your athlete with at least one pair of dress clothing so that we may dress appropriately when representing our school on game days.

As Vaughn coaches, we have faith in our players' ability to learn and grow during every sport season. We believe that setting clear expectations will provide more productive practices and learning time for all involved. **Remember, being an athlete is a privilege.**

#### **Disciplinary procedures:**

In the event that any student violates any of the above rules, or any other school rule or regulation, the advisor, the coach and/or a school administrator shall investigate the alleged violation. The coach, advisor and/or school administrator will consider all reliable reports of conduct that violates Vaughn School Eligibility Requirements and will meet with the student to discuss the allegation. After this investigation, if the administration, advisor and/or coach determine that a violation of school rules has occurred, the student will be subject to disciplinary sanctions, as outlined in the above policy and in accordance with the Board's disciplinary policies.

### **COMMUNICATION PROCEDURE**

While we expect all of our programs to run smoothly, we understand there are times student and parents may have concerns. Therefore, we have set up a communication procedure to address any issues that may arise.

It is important that the established chain of command is followed. General issues that can occur should be handled in the following order:

1. Athlete and coach
2. Athlete and Athletic Director
3. Parent and coach
4. Parent and Athletic Director
5. Parent and administration

Any meeting that a parent wishes to have with a coach should be arranged through the Athletic Director's office.

**Eligibility for Vaughn School Students Who Participate in Extracurricular Activities**

**My child and I have read and agree to the Extracurricular Activities Regulations which have been officially adopted by the Vaughn School District Board of Trustees.**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
*Please Print*

Student Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
*Please Print*

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**CONSENT FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT & RELEASE OF LIABILITY FORM**

I understand that participation in school-sponsored events and activities, including those off school grounds and outside the regular school day, involve some risk (including any travel to and from these events or activities) and that unforeseen events can occur. I am informed and agree that transportation, if involved, may be provided by parents, other private individuals, or commercial operators who are believed to be reliable and insured, but are not under the supervision or control of the school. In exchange for permitting my child to participate in the school's activities, I waive and give up all claims (and the right to file a lawsuit) which I or my child (and our successors, heirs, and assigns) may have against the school. I release and discharge the school from all liability or responsibility from death, illness, personal injury, or property damage arising out of the school activity and any transportation involved with the school activity.

**In the event of an emergency**, and if the school is unable to contact me, I authorize school personnel or other adult leadership of a school-sponsored event or activity, at my expense, to secure and consent to x-ray examination, medical, dental, or surgical diagnosis, treatment, and hospital care advised and supervised by a duly licensed physician, surgeon, or dentist. I expect to be contacted as soon as possible. I agree that if emergency medical or dental services are required for my child, Vaughn School will not be responsible to pay for any medical or dental expenses.

This permission, waiver, release, and consent applies to the school named and its employees. This waiver and release form is signed in order for my child to participate in the school's events and activities for my child's own personal enjoyment and benefit and is done so freely with full knowledge of the risk and dangers that are or may be involved. I authorize any hospital which has provided treatment to the above named minor to surrender physical custody of such minor to the school representative upon the completion of treatment.

Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: M or F Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Legal Parent/Guardian Information**

{ } Father or { } Male Guardian { } Mother or { } Female Guardian

Work/Cell Number: W \_\_\_\_\_ C \_\_\_\_\_ Work/Cell Number: W \_\_\_\_\_ C \_\_\_\_\_