

## **PARENT INVOLVEMENT IN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

- Remember: The classroom comes first!
- Help conduct fair and equitable competition: adhere to the rules; uphold the law and respect authority.
- Remember that officials are human. Respect their decisions.
- Delegate authority to the school and support its decisions.
- Set standards by which you expect children to conduct themselves and live by those standards yourself.
- Be involved in areas in which your own child is not involved, thus contributing to school unity and spirit.
- Show respect to the opponents of your children.
- Praise. Don't criticize. Urge others to do the same.

## **COMPLAINTS BY STUDENT/PARENTS**

Usually student or parent complaints or concerns can be addressed simply by a phone call or conference with the coach/sponsor. For those complaints and concerns that cannot be handled so easily, the parent or student should first discuss the complaint or concern with the Athletic Director/UIIL Director. If unresolved, parents or student athletes should follow the standard complaint policy established by the district.

## **MARBLE FALLS I.S.D. EXTRACURRICULAR CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT**

### **I. Extracurricular Activities**

The term "extracurricular activities" means any membership or participation in groups, clubs, and organizations recognized and approved by the Board of Trustees and the school district and sponsored by the district or a campus. All University Interscholastic League (UIL) and non-UIL activities and student organizations, such as Student Council and National Honor Society are extracurricular. All extracurricular activity participants, including elected and appointed officers of all campus organizations, are subject to the provisions of this *Extracurricular Code of Conduct*.

### **II. Jurisdiction**

Because participation in extracurricular activities is a privilege and not a right, Marble Falls ISD is authorized to set higher standards for participants of extracurricular activities than it would for those students who choose not to participate in these activities. Therefore, this *Extracurricular Code of Conduct* extends beyond the *Marble Falls ISD Student Code of Conduct* not only in types of behavior prohibited, but also in corresponding consequences and jurisdiction for imposing discipline. This *Extracurricular Code of Conduct* will be enforced with all students grades 7 - 12 participating in extracurricular activities:

- regardless of whether school is in session;
- regardless of whether the offense occurs on or off school property or at a school-related event;
- regardless of whether the student is directly involved with the extracurricular activity at the time the prohibited conduct occurs;
- regardless of whether the extracurricular activity is in-season

It is possible that a student who violates the *Marble Falls ISD Student Code of Conduct* will incur consequences from both the appropriate school administrator and from his or her coach or sponsor for the same particular violation. It is also possible that a student participating in extracurricular activities could violate the *Extracurricular Code of Conduct* and be subject to discipline by a coach or sponsor without having violated the *Marble Falls ISD Student Code of Conduct*.

The MFISD Board of Trustees has authorized the creation and distribution of this Code in MFISD Board Policy FO (LOCAL), which states:

With the approval of the principal and Superintendent, sponsors and coaches of extracurricular activities may develop and enforce standards of behavior that are higher than the District-developed Student Code of Conduct and may condition membership or participation in the activity on adherence to those standards. Extracurricular standards of behavior may take into consideration conduct that occurs at any time, on or off school property. No provision of an extracurricular behavioral standard shall have the effect of discriminating on the basis of sex, race, disability, religion, or ethnicity.

Organizational standards of behavior of an extracurricular activity are independent of the Student Code of Conduct may result in independent disciplinary actions.

A student may be removed from participation in extracurricular activities or may be excluded from school honors for violation of organizational standards of behavior of an extracurricular activity or for violation of the Student Code of Conduct.

### **III. Conduct Expectations**

1. The conduct of the Extracurricular Participant (ECP) is closely observed, in many areas of life. No student is obligated to take part in Extracurricular Activities (ECA), nor is it required for graduation. It is stressed that this is a PRIVILEGE, and the coaches and administrators have the authority to revoke this privilege when requirements are not met by the student. It is recognized that some of the following rules are stricter than for the general student body. However, the ECP is expected to accept and to follow the established rules.

2. Our ECP's and sponsors must understand that others do not always act appropriately, but we must insist that our sponsors and participants act in a sportsmanlike manner.
3. All of our students must be on time and prepared for all phases of the activity in which they are involved. If they are not able to be on time or perform all of their responsibilities, they must communicate with their coach or sponsor as soon as possible.
4. In order to promote a positive educational and extracurricular environment for all students, all employees of MFISD are committed to upholding the "no hazing" policy as stated in the student code of conduct.
5. While a student is injured or ill but is still able to attend all activities they must report to the coach to determine what their responsibilities will be while they are not actively competing.
6. All students and sponsors should have and must show respect for each other.
7. Fighting and profanity are not suitable methods for resolving conflict.
8. Inappropriate touching, making out, sexual gestures or exposing parts of the body that are ordinarily covered up in public places are not acceptable actions in public for ECPs and will be addressed appropriately.

Each individual sponsor/coach will have policies that deal with the discipline for these expectations. These policies with appropriate discipline methods will be explained before practice for the season begins. The appropriate administrator will be involved when these policies are applied.

#### **IV. District Prohibited Conduct**

Marble Falls ISD students participating in extracurricular activities are prohibited from any violation(s) listed in the MFISD Student Code of Conduct.

#### **V. Procedures**

The coach and/or sponsor will determine whether an *Extracurricular Code of Conduct* violation has occurred.

Upon determination of an *Extracurricular Code of Conduct* violation, the following individuals will be notified:

- The student and the student's parent(s) or guardian(s)
- The Athletic Director, Sponsor, and/or Grade-Level Principal

Nothing in this *Extracurricular Code of Conduct* limits the authority of a coach or sponsor to impose reasonable sanctions, including extra workouts, for students who breach team or organization conduct expectations.

## **VI. Disciplinary Action**

Coaches and sponsors will review all the facts and circumstances surrounding a particular violation and impose appropriate disciplinary action. Coaches and sponsors will strive for consistency in doling out punishment for *Extracurricular Code of Conduct* violations, but will also exercise sound professional discretion.

- Any ECP suspended will be removed from all participation with that extracurricular activity including travel, contest, meals and any other activities except for practices until their suspension is complete.
- In School Suspension – A student is ineligible to participate in extracurricular activities while serving time in I.S.S.
- Academically ineligible students will not be allowed to travel with the team/group, or be in the team area, other than practice until they have been cleared.
- Removal from office in the case of a student office holder who commits an offense
- Students in AEP will not be allowed to participate in extracurricular activities in any capacity or to attend extracurricular activities.
- Any student holding a Final Title 5 Felony conviction or an offense deemed severe enough by the appropriate administrator and superintendent shall be excluded permanently from holding any student office, practicing or participation in any extracurricular activity.

Coaches/sponsors will be required to hold a conference with the parent or guardian and the student to confirm the violation, discuss the consequence and notify about reinstatement

## **VII. Alcohol/Drug Violations**

Any violation of substances eligible for testing in Section III of the MFISD Drug Testing Policy will follow the sanctions listed in Section VI of the Drug Testing Policy.

If the ECP voluntarily admits a violation, the suspension will be reduced by 10%. If law enforcement paperwork or faculty observation occurs first, there will be no reduction in suspension.

## **VII. Tobacco Violations**

Any violation (possession/use) of tobacco will result in a suspension of 10% of scheduled events. The suspension will begin in the immediate activity that the ECP is involved in. If the student is not actively involved in an ECA at that time, the suspension will start with the next event in which the ECP is involved. (minimum of 1 event)

**Note:** Percentage suspensions will be based on the number of scheduled events the ECP is involved in. Satisfactory completion of that activity is necessary for the suspension to be complete. Tournaments for team sports such as BKB/BSB/SFB/Soccer, will be counted as 3 events regardless of the actual number of games played. Golf, Tennis, and other activities, in which all events are tournaments, will be counted as one event. Any cancellations that are **not** rescheduled or replaced will be counted as events. Any percentage of .4 or less will be rounded down. Any percentage of .5 or more will be rounded up.

**\* The student must be academically eligible in order for the events missed to count toward the suspension. If a student is academically ineligible at the time of the violation, or becomes academically ineligible during the suspension, the events missed shall not count toward the required events.**

## **IX. Request for Conference**

A student who is removed from the extracurricular program(s) because of failure to comply with the Extracurricular Code of Conduct may request a conference with before the appropriate administrator. ***The request must be in writing.***

Conferences will be held as needed on an individual basis. The conference between the administrator, student and his/her parent or guardian is to provide the student the opportunity to present a request for reinstatement. The administrator will consider only one appeal from each student requesting reinstatement. Note: a conference to request reinstatement is not needed unless the student wishes to make the request before the normal date of reinstatement.

Students who desire to participate in tryouts or elections for extracurricular activities for the following year must request a conference at least two weeks prior to the official tryout or election day.

If a parent or guardian and student would choose to take further action, they should request a conference with the appropriate administrator. If unresolved, the District provides for the complaint to be presented to the Superintendent. If the complaint still remains unresolved it will be presented to the Board of Trustees.

## **X. Acknowledgement**

In order to participate in any extracurricular activity, the student and parent or guardian must sign the acknowledgement form. The acknowledgement form states that the signing parties understand the consequences for engaging in prohibited conduct.

## LETTERING POLICIES

**Athletic Awards:** A student may qualify for a major award only in a varsity sport and only if he/she completes the season. Coaches will determine who letters according to individual sport policy and subject to approval of the Athletic Director.

**Theater Arts:** A student will qualify if he/she participates in the District One Act Play.

**Cheerleaders:** A Cheerleader has to have been a High School Cheerleader for 2 years, one of which is on the Varsity Squad.

**Band:** A student must be a member in good standing. Beginning with the 2004-05 school year, a student entering the high school band program for the first time must have completed two full years of band at Marble Falls High School in addition the other requirements listed in the Band Grading and Lettering Guidelines

## ADDITIONAL POLICIES

### TRAVEL

All extracurricular participants represent the community, school, sponsors and coaches. Therefore, it is expected that all will dress in an acceptable manner on trips and demonstrate appropriate conduct. All Varsity athletes/UII participants making the trip on the bus will return on the bus unless in an emergency situation or when parents are present and there is good reason for returning with parents. This must be cleared with the head coach/sponsor prior to the trip. Athletes/participants are never to return with anyone other than on the bus or their own parents.

Exception: An athlete/participant may receive permission to ride with someone else's parents with prior written consent granted by the Athletic Director or Principal.

### QUITTING

Anyone quitting a sport after a trial period (usually after the first contest) will not be allowed to participate in another sport until the season of the sport quit is completed (unless the head coaches of both sports agree that the student would be better off in the other sport). The Athletic Director or Principal may, at their discretion, make an exception to this rule when an event outside the control of the athlete or

his/her family causes the athlete to drop out of a sport. A clear understanding is to be reached by the Principal, Athletic Director, head coach, parents and the athlete at the time the sport is dropped.

### MULTIPLE SPORTS/ EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Athletes are encouraged to participate in more than one sport. Eligibility to participate in a particular sport will not be based upon participation in a second sport unless the athlete quits a previous sport. Athletes may choose to participate in other extracurricular activities as long as they are aware of the inherent conflicts that can occur.

### DISCIPLINE

Several different means of discipline will be used depending on each situation. Whatever type of discipline is required, the purpose is to help athletes and participants improve themselves and to become better people. Failure to accept this, on the part of the ECP, may result in dismissal from the ECA.

## ELIGIBILITY POLICIES

All extracurricular participants must maintain a passing grade (70) in all classes to be eligible to participate in extracurricular activities. Please check the enclosed Eligibility Dates. The UIL does not consider advanced courses (Pre-Cal & AP) for eligibility purposes. However, Marble Falls ISD does. Students may be granted a one-time waiver of eligibility if they are failing one advanced course during the year. The waiver request form may be picked up in the front office.

## ALL-DISTRICT ACADEMIC

The All District Academic Policy will be set by the High School Principal, Athletic Director, Band and Academic UIL Directors and the District Executive Committee of the UIL District Marble Falls ISD is assigned.

## ATTENDANCE

Students must attend school all day to be eligible to participate in ECA with the following exceptions:

1. Attending a school or UIL event
2. Receiving a waiver from the Athletic Director or principal for a medical appointment, family emergency or funeral.

## NOTE:

**These rules apply to all sports and UIL events but head coaches and sponsors may have additional rules that their athletes and participants must follow.**

# EXTRACURRICULAR INSURANCE

The following facts should be fully understood by, the parents and or guardians of all Marble Falls I. S. D. ECP's, who are involved in U.I.L. activities in grades 7 through 12.

1. The Marble Falls I. S. D. provides for athletic and extracurricular insurance for students in grades 7 thru 12. This coverage is for U.I.L. sponsored activities, including all U.I.L. athletic events. Your child will be covered while participating in, practicing for, and traveling to and from such an activity.
2. The insurance provided by the school is for activities that are sanctioned by U.I.L. rules and regulations. Any competition in which the student participates that is not under U.I.L. sanction will NOT be covered by the insurance.
3. Marble Falls I. S. D. assumes no responsibility as a result of injuries that occur during an athletic or U.I.L. event: however, this insurance is provided at school expense. This is **SECONDARY INSURANCE** to whatever health insurance the parent(s) or guardian(s) have for their children, and all claims **must** be filed with the primary health insurance company **first** and with the school insurance company **second**. You will need to indicate on the school insurance claim form the name and address of your regular insurance carrier.
4. Decisions about coverage are up to the insurance company. All questions about coverage and the procedures for accessing the insurance must be made to the insurance company. District employees cannot interpret the policy or provide any assistance other than limited assistance in completing claim forms.

5. If the student has no other insurance coverage, the school insurance will become the primary carrier and will pay accordingly. The parent or guardian should indicate on the claim form if they have no other health insurance.
6. **All policies have limitations.** The school insurance will pay up to the amounts that are listed in the coverage documents, subject to policy exclusions and other limitations. ***Parents will be responsible for any amount remaining after both the primary health insurance and limitations have been reached. Parents should verify that the doctor/hospital is in the network.***
7. The Marble Falls I. S. D. and its employees are NOT responsible for any costs for treatment to your child by any doctor.
8. In case of an injury, **it is the responsibility of the parent to file a claim form.** These forms are available in the principal's office, from the trainer or coach, or the Administration Office. The coaches, trainer, sponsors or administrative personnel will be happy to help complete the form; however, no Marble Falls I. S. D. employee is responsible for filing your claim.
9. As with any policy, there are policy exclusions and rules for filing claims. Please review the Policy Limitations that are listed in the brochure; you are responsible for taking all steps necessary to access the extracurricular activity insurance. Most policies have a time limitation for filing a claim.
10. Since the insurance is for U.I.L. sponsored events only, you may wish to purchase the additional insurance that is available to your child. This should be purchased at the beginning of the school year and is the same basic coverage. The AT School Coverage provides coverage for injuries that occur at school or during school-sponsored activities during the regular school year. The 24-Hour coverage provides coverage 24 hours a day until the first day of the following school year.

## Marble Falls ISD Eligibility Calendar 2009 - 2010

| GRADING PERIOD             | GRADING PERIOD ENDS | ELIGIBILITY STAGE | DATE EFFECTIVE |
|----------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| 1st Progress               | Sept. 11            | Nothing           | N/A            |
| 1st Six Weeks              | Oct. 2              | Gain/Lose         | Oct. 9         |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Progress   | Oct. 23             | Gain Only         | Oct. 30        |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Six Weeks  | Nov. 6              | Gain/Lose         | Nov. 13        |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Progress   | Dec. 4              | Gain Only         | Dec. 11        |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Six Weeks* | Dec. 18             | Gain/Lose         | Jan. 12        |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Progress   | Jan. 29             | Gain Only         | Feb. 5         |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Six Weeks  | Feb. 19             | Gain/Lose         | Feb. 26        |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Progress   | Mar. 12             | Gain Only         | Mar. 29        |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Six Weeks  | Apr. 16             | Gain/Lose         | Apr. 23        |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> Progress   | May 7               | Gain Only         | May 14         |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> Six Weeks  | May 27              | Credit-Based      | Fall 2010      |

*\*This eligibility check is based on the six weeks average, NOT the semester grade.*

**GAIN/LOSE** – Students will gain eligibility if they are passing ALL classes or lose eligibility if they fail ANY class (excluding those identified as honors or advanced classes\*\*).

**GAIN ONLY** - Ineligible students have the opportunity to regain eligibility if they are passing ALL classes - not just the ones they were failing (excluding those identified as honors or advanced classes\*\*).

**GRACE PERIOD (DATE EFFECTIVE)** - Students regain or lose eligibility at the end of the school day, 7 days after the eligibility check.

\*\*Honors/Advanced Class Waiver: Students may be granted a one-time waiver for one six-weeks period of eligibility if they fail an advanced course with a grade of 60-70 percent. Students shall be eligible for one waiver per year.

***Regarding eligibility, all incompletes must be corrected within 7 days of the end of the grading period or the student with the incomplete will be ineligible.***

### Eligibility

Eligibility for participation in many extracurricular activities is governed by state law as well as rules of the University Interscholastic League (UIL)—a statewide association overseeing interdistrict competition. The following requirements apply to all extracurricular activities:

- A student shall be suspended from participation in any extracurricular activity sponsored or sanctioned by the District or the UIL after a grade evaluation period in which the student received a grade lower than the equivalent of 70 on a scale of 100 in any academic class other than an identified honors or advanced class.\*\* A suspension

continues for at least three school weeks and is not removed during the school year until the student is passing all classes.

- A student with disabilities who fails to meet the standards in the individualized education program (IEP) may not participate for at least three school weeks.
- An ineligible student may practice or rehearse.
- A student is allowed in a school year up to ten absences not related to post-district competition, a maximum of five absences for post-district competition prior to state, and a maximum of two absences for state competition. All extracurricular activities and public performances, whether UIL activities or other activities approved by the Board, are subject to these restrictions.
- A student who misses a class because of participation in an activity that has not been approved will receive an unexcused absence.

**Please note:** Sponsors of student clubs and performing groups such as the band, choir, and drill and athletic teams may establish standards of behavior—including consequences for misbehavior—that are stricter than those for students in general. If a violation is also a violation of school rules, the consequences specified by the Student Code of Conduct or by local policy will apply in addition to any consequences specified by the organization. [For further information, see policies FM and FO.]

# MARBLE FALLS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT DRUG TESTING POLICY

## I. OBJECTIVES

- a. To provide a deterrent to drug use for any Marble Falls Independent School District (hereinafter referred to as MFISD) student (hereinafter referred to as Extra-Curricular Participant or "ECP") who participates in Extra-Curricular Activities (hereinafter referred to as "ECA") in grades 7 through 12.
- b. To provide a drug education program for those ECP's who test positive for drug use and for ECP's at risk for drug use.
- c. To insure the health and safety of ECP's.

## II. PLAN

- a. All ECP's from grades 7 through 12 (male and female) involved in MFISD ECA's will be subject to this testing program.
- b. All ECP's to be initially tested at a minimum of 1 time per semester (fall and spring) each school year. All ECP's will be subject to random testing throughout the year (twice per semester).
- c. ECP's selected for random testing will be chosen from a pool of all ECP's. (reference section IV.B)
- d. The method of screening is by an independent laboratory immunological screening procedure. All drugs detected by the screen will be confirmed by Gas Chromatography/ Mass Spectroscopy (hereinafter referred to as GC/MS) before being reported as being detected. ECP's admission of guilt will also constitute a positive screening. Failure to produce a sample in the allotted time period will be considered a positive screening.
- e. Certified lab personnel and professional staff will administer testing.
- f. Each ECP who is selected will be required to provide a urine, hair or oral sample to the designee during the time constraints described in Part IV.

## III. DRUGS ELIGIBLE FOR TESTING:

Alcohol  
Amphetamines  
Barbiturates  
Benzodiazepine  
Cocaine  
Methaqualone  
Opiates: codeine, heroin, morphine, papaverine  
Phencyclidine  
Tetrahydrocannabinoids (THC): marijuana  
Steroids  
Ecstasy

#### **IV. TESTING PROCEDURES AND PROTOCOL**

- a. **Mandatory Testing:** Every male and female ECP, grades 7 through 12, will be tested twice a year. They will be required to submit a sample immediately upon request. All specimens will be collected adhering to a strict chain of custody.
- b. **Random Testing:** Every male and female ECP, grades 7 through 12, will be eligible to be tested during the entire school year. A predetermined percentage of approximately 10% of High School and approximately 10% of the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade ECP's will be randomly selected by the MFISD vendor from a computer program 4 times per school year. The final random percentage number will be determined by the drug program administrator and the MFISD vendor. They will be required to submit a sample immediately upon request. All specimens will be collected, adhering to a strict chain of custody.
- c. All positive screenings will be confirmed by either ECP's admission or an additional test from the same sample that will include GC/MS testing by the MFISD vendor. A positive test result will not constitute an offense if the ECP's parent/guardian provides the Drug Program Administrator (hereinafter referred to as DPA) with a valid, legal prescription for the drug identified as positive by the test.
- d. The MFISD vendor will take the specimens to an independent lab for processing. The MFISD vendor will send the results to the DPA. The ECP's identification number will identify all specimens.
- e. Non-compliance by any ECP with the above testing procedures will be considered a violation of this policy and grounds for removal from ECA's within the MFISD.
- f. Each ECP in an ECA for grades 7 through 12 and, if the student is under 18 years of age, his or her parent/guardian shall sign a consent form agreeing to the student's participation in the drug testing program. The consent form shall be signed at the beginning of the school year or when the ECP first enters the ECA. For an ECP to continue participating in an ECA, a consent form must be signed each school year. If the ECP or parent/guardian refuses to consent, the ECP shall be denied participation in extra-curricular activities until said consent form is signed and at parent/guardians expense the participant undergoes drug testing with a negative result.
- g. Any ECP refusing to be tested will be subject to sanctions as if testing positive. Failure to provide a specimen within 2 hours constitutes a refusal to test. Readmission to ECA will be contingent upon agreement to participate in the drug testing program and a negative test result.
- h. Any ECP caught by DPA, testing monitors, or MFISD vendor, cheating or tampering with a specimen, will be subject to sanctions as if testing positive.
- i. The administering of the Policy and Testing Procedures and/or interpretation thereof, is left to the discretion of the DPA.

## **V. CONFIDENTIALITY**

- a. The collection and coding of specimen samples are executed in a manner insuring total confidentiality and property identification.
- b. Only the ECP, parent/guardian, Extra-Curricular Sponsor, campus principal, and the DPA will know the test results.
- c. All test results shall be destroyed when the ECP no longer has extra-curricular eligibility.

## **VI. SANCTIONS FOR POSITIVE TESTING**

- a. All offenses are cumulative throughout the ECP's eligibility. (7<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade)
- b. The following disciplinary measures will be taken for any ECP testing positive to a drug test, and/or any ECP having written documentation reported by law enforcement officers as having been involved with drug activity (i.e.: selling, buying, use of or possession of drug paraphernalia.)
- c. Any suspension shall take place in the immediate activity that the ECP is involved in. If the student is not actively involved in an extracurricular activity at that time, the suspension will start with the next event that the ECP is involved in.
- d. The student must be academically eligible in order for the events missed to count toward the suspension. If a student is academically ineligible at the time of the violation, or becomes academically ineligible during the suspension, the events missed shall not count toward the required events.

### **FIRST OFFENSE**

#### Sanctions:

1. Notification of parent/guardian to discuss ECP's sanctions.
2. Suspension from the ECA for 20% of all scheduled events with a minimum of 1 activity for those with 4 or fewer events in the season but does not include suspension from play-off practice game, scrimmages, practices, or program participation.
3. Documented completion of a minimum of 5 hours of drug education/counseling delivered by a Licensed Professional Counselor (hereinafter referred to as LPC), or other acceptable professional at the discretion of the DPA, at the ECP's and/or parent/guardian's expense. A list of LPC's will be provided by the DPA.
4. ECP will be tested each of the next 4 testing sessions. This may and can carry over into the next school year.

### **SECOND OFFENSE**

#### Sanctions:

1. Notification of parent/guardian to discuss the ECP's sanctions.

2. Suspension from the ECA for 50% of scheduled events with a minimum of one activity for those ECA's with 2 events or less and until he/she has a negative drug test with the MFISD vendor.
3. Documented completion of a minimum of 10 hours of drug education counseling from a LPC, or other acceptable professional at the discretion of the DPA, at ECP's or parent/guardian's expense. A list of LPC's will be provided by the DPA.
4. ECP will be tested each of the next 6 testing sessions. This may and can carryover into the next school year.

### **THIRD OFFENSE**

#### Sanctions:

1. Notification of parent/guardian to discuss the ECP's sanctions.
2. A high school ECP shall be suspended from ECA's for 1 calendar year, including class, practices, rehearsals, and contests.
3. A 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade ECP shall be suspended from ECA's for 1 calendar year including class, practices, rehearsals, and contests.
4. ECP may be reinstated to an ECA after 1 calendar year at the completion of a minimum of 15 documented hours of drug counseling and a negative drug test.
5. Parent/guardian is responsible for all counseling.
6. An ECP's suspension from ECA's under the third offense shall begin the day the Drug Program Administrator confirms the third test as positive.

### **FOURTH OFFENSE**

#### Sanctions:

1. Notification of parent/guardian to discuss the ECP's sanctions.
2. A fourth positive test shall result in removal of the ECP, whether in high school or middle school, from participation in ECA's for the remainder of his or her middle school and high school eligibility.

**A PARENT OR GUARDIAN, AT HIS OR HER OWN EXPENSE, MAY REQUEST ANOTHER TEST OF THE SAME SAMPLE BY ANOTHER CERTIFIED LABORATORY.**

**THE MARBLE FALLS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY COST INCURRED BY THE PARENT/GUARDIAN OR ECP FOR DRUG EDUCATION, COUNSELING, OR RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT.**

## VII. DEFINITION OF TERMS

The following definition is for the purpose of the drug-testing program in this policy.

1. The term “extracurricular activities” (ECA) means any membership or participation in any of the clubs, organizations or activities on the attached list.
2. Extra-Curricular Participant (ECP): ANY participating student in grades 7 through 12.
3. ECA: Extra-Curricular Activities in grades 7 through 12.
4. DPA: Drug Program Administrator
5. GC/MS: A Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectroscopy; a scientific process to identify specific chemical compounds. A molecular fingerprint is obtained that identifies a chemical compound with 100 percent accuracy.
6. LPC: Licensed Professional Counselor

## LIST OF ACTIVITIES

### High School

Band  
Baseball  
Boys Basketball  
Boys Cross Country  
Boys Golf  
Boys Soccer  
Boys Tennis  
Boys Track  
Chess Club  
Cheerleaders  
Competition Choir  
FBLA  
FFA  
FCCLA  
Football  
Girls Basketball  
Girls Cross Country  
Girls Golf  
Girls Soccer  
Girls Tennis  
Girls Track  
H.O.S.A.  
PALS  
Power Lifting  
Skills USA  
Softball  
Starlettes  
Student Council  
UIL Academics  
UIL Journalism  
UIL Theater  
Volleyball  
Parking Permits

### Middle School

Band  
Cheerleaders  
Competition Choir  
Creative Problem Solving  
Junior FFA  
Junior High Athletic Department  
Student Council  
Theater Arts  
UIL Academics

***A copy of the Drug Testing Policy is available in Spanish upon request in the Central Office.***

Una copia de la Política de la Prueba para las drogas esta disponible en español en las oficinas administrativas si se requiere.

**MARBLE FALLS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PARENT AND STUDENT EXTRACURRICULAR HANDBOOK  
AND DRUG POLICY  
ACKNOWLEDGMENT FORM**

*Please read, sign, date, and return this form. Students will not be allowed to participate in Extracurricular Activities until this form is completed, signed and returned.*

We have received and read a copy of the MFISD's Extracurricular Handbook and Drug Testing Policy. We understand that this policy is part of the District's rules and that it applies to all high school and middle school students participating in Extracurricular Activities. We understand and consent to all the requirements of this code and understand the consequences that my child will face if he or she fails to adhere to these rules and agree to such terms.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Student's Name

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Grade

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Parent Signature

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Date

**Please list all extracurricular activities in which your student is currently participating**

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