

Valley Heights High School Activities

ALCOHOL, DRUG AND TOBACCO POLICY

Policy statement: During any season of practice &/or competitive play or during the off-season, regardless of the quantity, a student shall not:

- 1: Use or be in the possession of a beverage containing alcohol.
- 2: Use, consume, have in possession, buy, sell, or give away any illegal drugs or controlled substance.
- 3: Use tobacco in any form.

If any student involved in activities violates this policy, and the violation is substantiated **verbally or in writing** by a law enforcement official, faculty member, school administrator, or any school employee, or self-admittance, the following will occur:

If a source other than those listed above reports and signs a written statement about a student's violation of the substance policy, validity of the allegation will be substantiated. If the information proves to be accurately reported, the appropriate action as per policy will be taken.

Violation 1:

The student will lose contest eligibility for the next two (2) interscholastic weeks (14 days) of competition but must continue to practice to remain a participant in the activity. This violation would include all activities from the time the violation is substantiated and ***it will start with the next week of competition.***

Violation 2:

If a second violation occurs in the same school year, the student will lose eligibility to participate in all interscholastic activities/performances for one calendar year from the date of occurrence. To regain eligibility for Valley Heights High School activities following the inactivity, the student must complete a legitimate chemical dependency program at student/parent expense. Upon the completion of the above requirements, the student will be allowed to return to all activities.

Out Of Season, During School Year, USE or POSSESSION:

The student, parents, head coach/director, activity director and principal will have a disciplinary conference. The violation will be recorded by the activities director with penalties addressed at the conference.

Needing Help:

Students who feel they may have a problem with alcohol, drugs, or tobacco usage are urged, prior to their first offense without penalty under policy, to contact one of the following school officials:

- Building Administrators
- High School or Junior High Counselor
- Activities Director
- Any staff member working in a KSHSAA activity.

Repeated Offenses:

Repeated offenses indicate a student-at-risk. Recordkeeping begins at the time the student signs his/her first activities contract.

Medical Reason:

It is not a violation of this policy for a student to be in possession of a controlled substance prescribed for that student's own use by his/her physician.

School Policy:

If the substance violation occurs on school property or at a school sponsored event elsewhere, school rules will be in effect in addition to the activities policy.

Due Process:

A student who has been accused of violating the Drug, Alcohol, and Tobacco Policy has the opportunity for due process. This may be afforded to the student at the conference with said student, parents, principal, activity director, counselor, and head coach/director.

Procedure of Enforcement:

- Observation document filed with the activities director or building administrators.
- Notification to parents and student by the school concerning the violation.
- Conference with student, parents, head coach/director, counselor & administrator(s)
- Explain consequences of action
- Opportunity for due process by student and/or parents
- Recommend appropriate plan of action
- Explain consequences of subsequent violations.
- Record of conference and violation consequence filed in activity director's office.

Activities Covered Under this Policy

All athletic and non-athletic activities sponsored by K.S.H.S.A.A.

ACTIVITIES CONTRACT

Student & Parent or Guardian:

I have read and understand the rules and regulations as stated in the Alcohol, Drug, and Tobacco Policy.

Participation in all activities required an acceptance of the risk of possible injury. You, as a participant, can help make the activity safer by not intentionally using substances which are illegal and which can cause serious injury.

As a member of an activity representing USD 498, I agree to conduct myself at all times in accordance with the provisions set forth herein.

Signed: _____
(Student)

Signed: _____
(Parent / Guardian)

Date: _____

This contract must be on file in the Activity Director's office, before a student may participate in a contest/performance.

The following activities are included in the "Alcohol, Drug, & Tobacco Policy" of Valley Heights Jr/Sr High School:

All athletic and non-athletic activities sponsored by K.S.H.S.A.A.