

CODE OF CONDUCT
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As an athlete of Forest Park Jr/Sr High School, you are representing the school, the community, your parents, and yourself. The school board, administrators, and coaches will expect you to adhere to the following rules at all times and in all public places. Public places are defined as anywhere outside your home. The following rules apply when school is in session and during times when it is not in session including vacation time and summer break.

The following rules will be enforced:

- a) Student athletes will not be in possession of or consuming alcohol;
- b) Student athletes will not be in possession of or use tobacco products. This includes possession of or use of e-cigarettes or similar devices;
- c) Student athletes will not use illegal drugs or be in possession of illegal drugs or a controlled substance;
- d) Student athletes will not be in use of or be in possession of drug paraphernalia

If upon investigation by school authorities, it is substantiated that any violation of these rules has occurred a penalty will be enforced. Consequences will be cumulative during the athlete's enrollment in high school. In addition the athlete and parent/guardian will meet with the coach, athletic director, and principal. If the athlete is cited for illegal use of drugs, alcohol, or tobacco, he or she may be randomly tested (at the student's expense up to twelve times per year) for the remainder of his/her high school career. This will be done in order to ensure the athlete is drug, alcohol, and tobacco free.

Attempts to circumvent the following rules by going out for a sport in which the athlete does not normally participate will not be allowed. This rule will be enforced in the sport in which the athlete normally participates.

Penalty: Alcohol/Drugs

A. **First Offense** - The athlete will be removed for 1/3 of the scheduled contest dates*. The athlete must agree to receive and complete a substance abuse program with an agency approved by the principal. The program will consist of two (2) sessions at the athlete's expense. Once enrolled in the counseling program,

failure to attend without the approval of the counselor will result in the athlete being removed from participation.

*All contests held on the same date are considered one contest.

B. Second Offense - The athlete will be removed from all athletic participation for one calendar year.

c. Third offense - The athlete will be removed from all athletic participation for the remainder of the athlete's high school career.

Penalty: Tobacco

A. First Offense - The athlete will be removed for one (1) contest.

B. Second Offense - The athlete will be removed from 1/3 of scheduled contests.

c. Third offense - The athlete will be removed from all athletic participation for one calendar year.

d. Subsequent offense -The athlete will be removed from all athletic participation for the remainder of high school career.

In addition:

1. Any athlete violating this code of conduct has two (2) weeks or until the next scheduled contest of the season in which they are participating to notify school administrators. Failure to comply with this will result in the penalty being moved to the next highest level.
2. If the offense occurs late in the season so the suspension cannot be completed, the penalty will continue into the next season in which the athlete normally participates.
3. If 1/3 of contests comes out to be .5 or higher we will round up and .4 or lower we will round down.
4. Scrimmage/Jamboree will not count as one of the suspended contests. Coaches will determine if athletes serving a suspension will participate.
5. An athlete's conduct in and out of school shall be such as (1) not to reflect discredit upon the school or the IHSAA, and (2) not to create a disruptive influence on the discipline, good order, moral or educational environment in the school. Offenses will be dealt with on an individual basis.