

To: Sharyland I.S.D. Parents/Guardians and Students
From: Sharyland I.S.D.
RE: Extracurricular Code of Conduct

Your child has expressed a desire to participate in an extracurricular activity at Sharyland ISD. It is the belief of our district that participation in extracurricular activities can give students direction in the development of self-discipline, responsibility, pride, leadership, teamwork, respect for authority, and healthy living habits.

Participation in the regular curriculum is a right afforded to each student; however, participation in the extracurricular program is a privilege that carries additional expectations for acceptable conduct. Because participation in extracurricular activities is a privilege not a right, SISD is authorized to set higher standards for participants of these activities.

Sharyland ISD has established the following set of guidelines to be followed by all extracurricular participants:

1. Abide by all UIL rule specifications (*for UIL/TEA sanctioned activities*);
2. Attend every practice session and contest unless ill or in emergency situations. (*Parent or guardian must call coach/sponsor if not attending practice*);
3. At all times, on and off campus, respond to every situation as a young lady or gentleman.

All students, regardless of activity, **must not**:

1. Use tobacco products;
2. Consume, possess or distribute alcoholic beverages, drugs, or narcotics (*except for prescribed medical purposes*);
3. Participate in inappropriate behavior recorded or transmitted on any electronic media or the internet;
4. Participate in misconduct unbecoming of a lady or gentleman. This includes but is not limited to any conduct which contains the elements of an offense under the Texas Penal Code.

Sharyland ISD will enforce the above rules with all students 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; and
- regardless of where or when the conduct occurs.

CONTRACT FOR SUCCESS

Students that violate any of the above rules could be suspended from participation in any activity for up to **18 weeks**, and could be subject to removal from participation.

STUDENTS:

As an extracurricular participant representing Sharyland ISD, I, **(Student)** _____, understand my responsibilities as stated above. I agree to abide by this policy, and I pledge to help my classmates do the same.

PARENTS:

I have read the information presented above, and I will support my son/daughter in his/her commitment to this policy.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

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