

(Adopted: May 1998)

Student Participant: A student becomes a participant on the first day of practice for the first IHSA activity that the participant goes out for and is covered by this policy while the participant is enrolled at Prophetstown High School. The cheerleading program and its participants are covered by this policy. The administration considers a cheerleader an athlete and the squad will be considered a team, the sponsor will be considered a coach and the activity of cheering will be considered a sport. The rules shall apply year round; this means in-season, out-of-season, and summers.

A participant who admits to, is seen by or reported by a faculty member, coach, sponsor or his/her parents for possession or consumption of alcohol, illegal drugs or tobacco or is determined to have been in possession or consumed alcohol, illegal drugs or tobacco based on a report from law enforcement officials, court officers or a newspaper account will be disciplined in the following manner.

1st Offense:

No participation in interscholastic contests for thirty-three (33) percent of the total interscholastic contest season. Participants are required to practice until the suspension is complete. Preseason practice does not count as part of the suspension. To serve a probation period, a participant must be out the entire season (first day of practice to the last contest).

Information regarding substance abuse evaluation/programs will be made available to the participant.

2nd and Subsequent Offenses:

No participation in interscholastic contests for one (1) calendar year from the date of the offense. At the completion of the suspension, the participant must appeal to the Activities Committee for reinstatement of eligibility. The student participant may practice but may not dress for contests during the suspension. Students who choose to practice will be subject to all other team rules.

Information regarding substance abuse evaluation/programs will be made available to the participant.

If a student is charged or convicted by law enforcement officials of a misdemeanor or a felony, the Activities Committee shall assemble all known facts and information and make a determination based on the evidence.

If the season concludes before the suspension has been completed, the participant will be required to serve the remaining portion of his/her suspension in the next sport/activity that the participant goes out for. The participant must remain out for the entire season (first day of practice to the end of the last contest) for the suspension to be completed.

Coaches/Sponsors have the primary responsibility (while in their supervision) to handle all matters that pertain to student conduct, attitude, absences, etc.

School discipline takes precedence over training rules, but both may be used to determine appropriate penalties. Any participant suspended from school will not be allowed to practice or compete in contests until the school suspension period is over.

If a participant is suspended from one sport/activity, then the participant may not compete in another sport/activity during the same season. If an athlete quits a sport/activity, then he/she will be allowed to go out for another sport/activity during the same season only by mutual agreement of both head coaches/sponsors.

Activities Committee: Consisting of one principal, athletic director (chairman) and the head coach/sponsor in each sport/activity. This committee will be the interpreter of the training rules, will act as an appeals board, and will decide any related matter not covered within the rules. The athletic director will file all decisions of this committee in written form.

Appeal Procedure: If, within 10 days of a ruling, the participant convinces the head coach/sponsor or Athletic Director that there is just cause for an appeal, the Athletic Director will arrange for the participant to meet with the Activities Committee for the purpose of appealing the ruling.

PARENTS' PARTICIPATION PERMIT	ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND APPROVAL OF TRAINING RULES	INSURANCE WAIVER
<p>I hereby give my consent for:</p> <hr/> <p>(Name of Participant)</p> <p>to compete for Prophetstown High School Association sports, except those crossed out below, and to go with the coach or his duly appointed assistants on any trip.</p> <p>Cross Country, Golf, Football, Swimming, Volleyball, Basketball, Cheerleading, Dance, Wrestling, Track, Softball, Baseball</p> <p>I understand that the school will use precaution in protecting players against injury, but that it is not legally responsible for any injury which might occur.</p> <hr/> <p>Parents' Signature</p> <hr/> <p>Date</p>	<p>I have reviewed the rules and regulations involving extracurricular sports and agree to abide by the stated rules and decisions of the coaching staff. No student athlete will be allowed to participate until the previous statement is acknowledged and accepted by both the participant and his/her parent/guardian.</p> <hr/> <p>Participant's Signature</p> <hr/> <p>Date</p> <hr/> <p>Parents' Signature</p> <hr/> <p>Date</p>	<hr/> <p>Name of Participant</p> <p>desires to participate in athletics for the 2011-2012 school year. As parents/guardians we understand that the Board of Education requires the Participant to have insurance coverage before he/she can practice. Because we have accident or health insurance with:</p> <hr/> <p>Name of Insurance Company</p> <p>we desire not to enroll our athlete in the insurance program offered through Prophetstown High School. Further, we agree not to hold the Board or its designated parties responsible for accidents/injuries.</p> <hr/> <p>Parents' Signature</p> <hr/> <p>Date</p>