

PROPOSED ATHLETIC CODE OF CONDUCT RE VISIONS: MAY 2012

Wording to be changed is recognized by quotation marks. Corrected wording is in bold print.

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Section: ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT COMMITMENT, page 1.

Norton High School and Middle School coaches will:

- a. (original): sport, prior "of" the first week of the season.
(change to): **sport, prior to the first week of the season.**

Section: PRIOR TO PARTICIPATION.....

- a. Change bullets to **a, b, c.**
- b. Bullet "b" (original): ...maintained a grade point average of at least "1.5" in the grading period....
(change to): ...**maintained a grade point average of at least "1.0" in the grading period....**
(add to the end of bullet "b"): **See section on Athletic Eligibility, page 6, for more information.**

Section: DENIAL OF PARTICIPATION AND DUE PROCESS

2. Remove the "A." from the paragraph. Paragraph should read:

When an athlete is in suspected violation of the Athletic Code of Conduct, a hearing will be held to investigate the alleged misconduct. Please note, results of related investigations by school administration may be used to determine if there has also been a violation of the Student Code of Conduct. When a violation is known to have occurred, and not a suspected violation, the hearing process is waived.

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Section: DEFINITIONS

Definition of 'Self-Referral' (original): Seeking help before a violation is detected.
(change to): **Seeking help before a violation is suspected, detected, or investigated.**

Section: EXCEPTIONS AND CONSEQUENCES

Paragraph 2, sentence 2 (original): The Improvement Plan will be designed by the coach and any other who can offer appropriate assistance, such as parents, counselors, the athletic director, the district CARE coordinator, law enforcement officials, dependency specialists, etc.

(Change to): **The Improvement Plan will be designed by the player and approved by the coach. Any other person who can offer appropriate assistance, such as parents, counselors, the athletic director, ("the district CARE coordinator" shall be removed as there is no longer a person in the district serving in this capacity), law enforcement officials, dependency specialists, etc. may assist the player in the development of the Improvement Plan.**

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Section: MULTI-SPORT ATHLETES AND COACHING

2. (Typographical clean-up; change to read): **During an athlete's 'in-season', an 'off-season' coach may not**

Section: RATIONALE (CHANGE TO: RATIONALE FOR MULTI-SPORT ATHLETES AND COACHING)

Introductory sentence. (Typographical clean-up; change to read):the need to put the **'three'** (change from 'two') items above into writing.

2. (Typographical clean-up; change to read):simultaneous participation in an **'off-season'** sport activity.

Section: TOBACCO

First Tobacco Violation, Self-Referral element: (Typographical clean-up; change to read): change 33% to **50%**.

Second Tobacco Violation, Second bullet (original):the athlete will petition the Athletic Hearing Committee (Change to):the athlete **'may'** petition the Athletic Hearing Committee

Section: DRUGS OR ALCOHOL – SALE OR DISTRIBUTION

Introductory sentence. (Typographical clean-up; change to read):**'hallucinogenics'** (plural), rather than 'hallucinogenic' (singular).

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Section: DRUGS OR ALCOHOL – POSSESSION AND/OR USE

Introductory sentence. (Typographical clean-up; change to read):**'hallucinogenics'** (plural), rather than 'hallucinogenic' (singular).

Second Drugs or Alcohol – Possession and/or Use, Self-Referral bullet, last sentence: (original):full 50% denial of participation. (Change to): **“full one calendar year denial of participation.”**

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Section: ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

7TH Paragraph, Dual Sport Participation. Add the following phrase to the last sentence of this paragraph: “, **which may require the athlete to deem one sport as his/her ‘primary’ sport.**”

8th Paragraph, Study Table guidelines.

#2, change to read: “**Between a 1.0 and 1.49 GPA will be a probationary program in which the student must attend study tables three (3) days per week.**”

#3, change to read: “**Between 1.5 and 1.99 GPA must attend study table 2 days per week.**”