

CHILLICOTHE R-II SCHOOL DISTRICT

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY STANDARD

Students enrolled in the Chillicothe R-II School District have the opportunity to participate in activities beyond the in-school curriculum. Certain activities come under the direction of Missouri State High School Activities Association (MSHSAA). These activities include basketball, cheerleading, golf, tennis, volleyball, baseball, softball, instrumental music, flag corp, vocal music, football, pom pon, wrestling, soccer, swimming and track. Students participating in the above activities plus those of other school-sponsored clubs are covered by this citizenship policy.

Eligibility to represent the Chillicothe R-II School District in activities is a privilege to be attained by meeting the standards of eligibility cooperatively set by the MSHSAA and the Chillicothe School District.

Citizenship standards state that students who represent Chillicothe R-II must be creditable citizens and judged so by the proper school authority certifying a list of students for competition. Those students whose character or conduct is such as to reflect discredit upon themselves or their schools are not considered "creditable citizens."

Academic standards for MSHSAA State that students in grades 9-12 must be currently enrolled in, and regularly attending courses that offer a minimum of 3.0 units of credit and must have earned a minimum of 3.0 units of credit the preceding semester of attendance. Chillicothe students must pass six classes to meet this requirement.

Chillicothe High School Extra-Curricular Citizenship Policy

All students participating in extra-curricular programs are prohibited from using, possessing, distributing, manufacturing, or having controlled substances, improperly used medications or any mind/mood altering or intoxicating substances present in their system.

The Chillicothe R-II School District also prohibits the misuse of prescribed or over-the-counter medications and requires all students participating in extra-curricular activities using prescribed drugs or over-the-counter medications to notify their coach/director if these drugs may affect their performance, (i.e., causing drowsiness, etc.). In addition, all students participating in extra-curricular activities are prohibited from possessing, drinking, or being impaired or intoxicated by alcohol. A student who school officials determine have illegally used alcohol or other illegal drugs, after school hours, or off school premises shall be subject to the following disciplinary action:

1. **FIRST OFFENSE** – The student will be suspended from participating in extra-curricular activities for a period of 28 calendar days. The student must attend practices and will be allowed to practice but not represent Chillicothe R-II School District during the suspension. The student and parents will be required to meet with a Review Board before the student will be allowed to return to full participation. The 28 day suspension can be reduced to 14 calendar days providing the student and parents participate in a substance abuse education program recommended by a mental health professional certified in substance abuse education. In order for the suspension to be reduced from 28 to 14 days the student must provide written evidence of participation in a substance abuse education program. Students who violate this policy out of season will still be required to meet with the Review Board and it will be considered their first offense. If there is another offense anytime during the year the Second Offense restrictions will apply.
2. **SECOND OFFENSE** – The student will be suspended from participating in extra-curricular activities for a period of 365 calendar days. During the suspension the student will not be permitted to attend any practice or meeting of any extra-curricular activity. In addition the student will not be permitted to represent the Chillicothe R-II School District. The 365 day suspension can be reduced to 182 calendar days providing the student undergoes a full substance abuse assessment and follows through with treatment as recommended by a certified substance abuse educator.
3. **THIRD OFFENSE** – Permanent loss of participation in extra-curricular activities and the privilege of representing Chillicothe High School for the remainder of the student’s high school career. This suspension can be reduced to 365 calendar days if the student completes a residential substance abuse treatment program and follows through with all prescribed treatment upon release from the facility.

A student who school officials determine have illegally used or possessed alcohol or other illegal drugs during school hours or on school premises shall be subject to the above listed disciplinary actions in addition to disciplinary actions assigned by school administrators.

Consequences for after school hours or off school premises violations of this citizenship policy will not be based on hearsay or rumor. Discipline can occur when a faculty member or credible source, law enforcement agency, witnesses the act or when there is admission of guilt by the student, or upon a lawful arrest of the student by a law enforcement agency.

Penalties for violations take effect immediately upon determination of any violation.

When serving a school suspension assigned by the administration, the student will be ineligible for all contests, competitions, or performances during the suspension period. Attendance at athletic events, whether a participant or spectator, and at practice may be prohibited during the school suspension period. In the case of an assigned In-School Suspension, the suspension period will end at the end of the school day on the final day of the suspension period. In the case of an assigned Out-of-School Suspension, the suspension period will end on the final day of the suspension period with participation eligibility reinstated on the next school day.

OUT OF SCHOOL CONDUCT

A student who is guilty- 1) by his or her own admission or 2) substantiated by evidence gathered by school officials or 3) convicted by the court – of a violation of the law, other than minor violations, shall not be permitted to represent his or her school until he/she has satisfied the court-imposed fine or penalty. If the student is placed on probation as a result of the violation he/she may be eligible to represent his school, provided the terms of the probation are not violated.

A second violation of the law, other than minor violations, will cause a student to be disqualified from all activities for the remainder of the school year.

Chillicothe R-II School District
Drug Testing Consent Form
2009-2010

I have read and completely understand the district's policy and procedures regarding the Chillicothe R-II School District student drug testing program.

I hereby give consent for my student to participate in the drug testing program at Chillicothe Middle/High School. I understand that my student will be placed in the pool for random drug testing and that the Chillicothe R-II School District will pay for all random drug tests if my student is selected. I understand that if my student tests positive for drugs during a random drug test, I will have to pay for drug testing for him/her to be reinstated into extra-curricular activities or park on school property.

Student Name (please print) _____

Student Signature _____

- Yes -Include my student in the random drug testing program.**
- No-I do not want my student participating in the random drug testing program.**

Parent/Guardian Name (please print) _____

Parent/Guardian signature _____

Today's Date _____

Forms must be completed before a student can park on school property or participate in any extra-curricular activity. This consent form is good for one school year and must be renewed annually in order for the student(s) to be eligible to participate in extra-curricular activities or park on school property.

DUE PROCESS & APPEALS

Students will be granted due process and appeals as outlined in the student handbook.

THIS SHEET MUST BE SIGNED BY A PARENT AND RETURNED TO THE COACH/SPONSOR OF THE APPROPRIATE ACTIVITY BEFORE A STUDENT WILL BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE.

I acknowledge receipt of and have studied and understand the Student Eligibility Standards for Participation in Activities at Chillicothe R-II.

Signature of Student _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____

Date _____