BVSD Athletic Code of Conduct

The athletic code of conduct must be signed by all students at the beginning of the student’s HS athletic career. The code of conduct is in effect for the ENTIRE high school career for all athletic activities. Because not every conceivable incident can be covered by any contract, based on specific circumstances, the school administration reserves the right to determine appropriate consequences. As per long standing BVSD and CHSAA policy, a school administrator may impose athletic consequences for poor citizenship inside and outside the school environment.

Drug, Alcohol, Tobacco Use, Distribution or Possession of tobacco, drugs, alcohol, or paraphernalia such as but not limited to pipes, bongs, or electronic devices such as vap pens.

First Offense:
1. The student is suspended for 20% of total scheduled contents. Any fractions of games are rounded to the nearest whole number.
2. The period of suspension from schools supersedes the 20% game suspension. For example, if a student is suspended from school for 5 days, the student may miss more games than required by the code of conduct.
3. Suspensions must be served at the highest level of competition for that athlete as determined by the athletic director. The athlete may not compete in any scrimmage or contest at any level until the suspensions have been served. For example, a player who plays JV and Varsity must serve his/her suspensions at the varsity level before regaining eligibility. In order for games sat out to count, the athlete must complete the season in which the suspension occurred in good standing.
4. Game suspensions not fulfilled during the season in which the incident occurred are carried over into the next athletic season the athlete competes in (in the same school year). Administers will determine suspension carryover from season to season.
5. Game suspensions not fulfilled during the school year in which the incident occurred are carried over into the following school year for the first offense. Consistent with BVSD School Board policy, incidents of drug, alcohol, tobacco use are carried over for 3 calendar years. For example, a student violates the code of conduct in the spring season, following the completion of that season he/she will be suspended for any games during the fall season (if he/she competes). Another incident (within 3 calendar years) will be considered the second for purposes of determining consequences.
6. BVSD will honor any disciplinary consequences imposed by a previous school district before a transfer student becomes eligible to compete at any level in any athletic activity for any BVSD school.

Second Offense within 3 Calendar Years:
1. The student is suspended for 50% of total scheduled games. Any fractions of games are rounded to the nearest whole number.
2. Suspensions must be served at the highest level of competition for that athlete as determined by the athletic director. The athlete may not compete in any scrimmage or contest at any level until the suspensions have been served. For example, a player who plays JV and Varsity must serve his/her suspensions at the varsity level before regaining eligibility.
3. Game suspensions are fulfilled during the season in which the incident occurred are carried over into the next athletic season the athlete competes in.
4. Game suspensions not fulfilled during the school year in which the incident occurred are carried over into the following school year.

**Third Offense within 3 Calendar Years:**
1. Student is suspended from participation in all athletic activities for one calendar year.
2. The athlete may petition the Athletic Director for re-admittance to the athletic program after a period of four (4) months, if the athlete participates (at his own expense) in a preapproved (by school administrator) rehabilitation or treatment program. The rehabilitation or treatment center must provide a written recommendation for re-admittance before the petition can be considered.

**Reminders:**
1. A school suspension may produce more than 20% of missed games.
2. Incidents carry over from season to season.
3. Incidents carry over from year to year for 3 calendar years.
4. Students may not transfer between school/districts to avoid penalties.