

GRAYLING HIGH SCHOOL

CO-CURRICULAR CODE OF CONDUCT

I. MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY

All students desiring to participate in co-curricular activities must meet the eligibility criteria established by the Crawford AuSable School District and the Michigan High School Athletic Association in the case of athletics.

- A. Every participant must be regular in school attendance. Skipping during a season may result in disciplinary action which could include suspension from participation in an activity. A minimum suspension of one contest date will be imposed for activities scheduled for five dates or more, such as athletics, forensics, etc.
- B. Eligibility is checked two ways:
Pre-season: If a student has two or more E's or NC's at the end of the trimester they are ineligible for the next trimester.
In-season: At six weeks and beyond, students that have two or more E's or NC's are immediately ineligible for contests until they can print a report indicating they are passing 4 or more classes.

II. RULES

- A. These rules are in effect from the first day of participation to the last day of participation for a Grayling High School activity. This includes all Grayling High School students who are/will participate in co-curricular activities during the school year.
- B. Crawford AuSable School District participants will recognize the authority of the assistant principal, athletic director, and advisor/coaches and their findings, rulings, and punishment in connection with matters of discipline, violation of rules and eligibility.
- C. These participants will always do their best to appear well dressed and neatly groomed and will abide by the rules set forth by the advisor/coach. More specific regulations dealing with grooming may be set by the advisor/coach. A copy of these rules will be distributed to the participants involved.
- D. He/she will also cultivate sound training habits, exhibit appropriate behaviors and be a positive role model. Participants shall at all times abide by the safety rules of their activity or sport. Unsportsmanlike behavior will not be tolerated. Participants' conduct, in and out of school, shall not reflect negatively on their school or create a disruptive influence on the discipline, good order, moral, or educational environment in the school. Participants who violate this Conduct Code are subject to being removed from the activity at the discretion of the coach, sponsor, athletic director, or building principal, in addition to any other applicable punishment. Therefore, the participant will:
 - 1. Not use or possess tobacco products, alcoholic beverages or any form of drugs or look alike drugs not specifically prescribed by a physician.
 - 2. Not use profanity or profane gestures.
 - 3. Abide by the rules set by the advisor/coach. Violations of these rules will result in disciplinary action which may include suspension from participation in co-curricular activities for one year.
- E. Crawford AuSable School District co-curricular participants caught with or caught using tobacco, alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs or look alike drug products in their possession will be suspended from participation during that season or a combination of seasons for up to a one year suspension from participating. A minimum suspension of 20% of the dates for that season and/or the next season will be imposed for activities scheduled for five dates or more, such as, athletics, forensics, etc.

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- F. Any participant stealing equipment or personal property of the school, school personnel, or another student, etc., will be suspended from participating for that season or a combination of seasons up to a one year suspension from participation. A minimum suspension of 20% of the dates for that season and/or the next season will be imposed for activities scheduled for five dates or more, such as, athletics, forensics, etc.
- G. Any accused participant will meet with the athletic director and advisor/coach. Any adult that reports a participant for a violation will be asked to present a written statement regarding the alleged violation.
- H. Students disagreeing with disciplinary rulings of the athletic director may appeal, in writing, within three (3) days after receiving the decision, to the principal, providing rationale why the decision should be changed. Further appeals must also be in writing and follow the same time line and be directed to the superintendent.
- I. Once a participant is selected for an activity, he or she may not quit that activity to join another unless an agreement is reached with all advisors/coaches involved and the assistant principal prior to the participant leaving an activity.
- J. Students may not violate the rights of other students to a safe environment. Violations may include but are not limited to: threatening or intimidating other students, taunting, hazing, which is a crime in the State of Michigan, lying, verbal abuse or harassment, sexual harassment, and/or withholding information. Discipline will be given to students who participate in this type of behavior. Discipline for this type of behavior may include but is not limited to suspension from school and/or activity.

III. CRIMINAL ACTION

This rule is in effect for one year. If a Crawford AuSable School District co-curricular participant is arrested or accused (charged) for a felony or misdemeanor and there is reasonable cause to believe that the participant committed the crime, the Athletic Director will rule on the penalty for the offense which may include suspension from participation in co-curricular activities for up to one year.

IV. ATTENDANCE AT CO-CURRICULAR CONTESTS

- A. Contests are extensions of the educational classroom. All contestants, officials and spectators should be treated with respect. Good sportsmanship should be exhibited by all.
- B. All school conduct rules apply at all contests, home and away.

V. AWARDS

All advisers/coaches will distribute the criteria for earning of awards prior to the start of their activity. This criteria will be on file with the athletic director or fine arts director before the start of any activity.

VI. LIMITATIONS

- A. **DUAL CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**
Students who wish to participate in more than one school activity (i.e. sports, fine arts, etc.) must first get their request approved by the persons in charge of each activity. Once approved, the student must declare a primary, and if there are conflicting dates, the student must attend the primary activity. Students can not be punished for missing the other activity.
- B. **THEATER**
Provisions stated within this code may be substituted if a rule violation occurs within twenty-one (21) days of an opening performance by a principal performer. In such cases, an individual would be ineligible to participate in theater productions for a minimum of the next trimester or up to one year and could relinquish any chance of receiving theater arts awards and recognition.
- C. **NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY AND STUDENT GOVERNMENT**
Students in violation of the Co-Curricular Code will be referred to the NHS Faculty Council or the Co-Curricular Board to determine appropriate action in conjunction with the National Council of the National Honor Society and State of Michigan Student Government rules. Such students may either be placed on probation or dismissed. A member is only allowed one warning and once dismissed is never again eligible for membership.