

**STUDENT DRUG TESTING PROGRAM EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

The Jackson Public School District, Board of Trustees, in an effort to protect the health and safety of its students from illegal and/or performance-enhancing drug use and abuse, thereby setting an example for all other students of this school district, has adopted the following policy for drug testing of students participating in extracurricular activities.

**PURPOSE**

**AND**

**INTENT**

Participation in school-sponsored extracurricular activities such as interscholastic athletics is a privilege. Illegal drug use of any kind is incompatible with participation in any extracurricular activities on behalf of the school. The purpose of this policy is to set the example of conduct, which includes avoiding the use or possession of illegal drugs. This policy is intended to complement all other policies, rules and regulations of the School District regarding possession or use of illegal drugs.

This policy has been adopted to promote the safety, health and well-being of the students of the school district. The policy is not intended to be disciplinary or punitive in nature. The sanctions of this policy are limited to limiting the opportunity of any student found to be in violation of the policy in any extracurricular activities. There will be no academic sanction for violation of this policy. This policy shall apply to all participant students in grades 7-12.

- a. results in an equal probability that any student from a group of students (pool) subject to the selection mechanism will be selected, and
  - b. does not give the school district discretion to waive the selection of any student athlete or extracurricular activities participant selected under the mechanism.
6. Follow up test: weekly, at random, or any time a student who has tested positive may be under suspicion of being under the influence.
7. Illegal drugs: any substance which an individual may not sell, possess, use, distribute, or purchase under either federal or state law. Illegal drugs include, but are not limited to, all controlled drugs as defined by federal and state law, all prescription drugs obtained without authorization, and all prescription and over-the-counter drugs being used for an abusive purpose.
8. Performance-enhancing drugs: include anabolic steroids and any other natural or synthetic substance (including caffeine) that is used to improve athletic performance.

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upon reasonable suspicion by the athletic director, principal, sponsor, or coach of the student.

5. Fees. The school district will determine the necessary fees to collect from students who are tested for drug use and when those fees are to be collected. The cost of subsequent tests will be borne by the school district or appropriate activity fund. The cost per test is subject to change and will be determined on an annual basis by the school board.
6. Drug Use Testing. Any drug use test required by the school district under this policy will be administered by or at the direction of a professional laboratory chosen by the school district that uses scientifically validated toxicological methods. The professional laboratory shall be required to have detailed, written specifications to assure chain of custody of the specimens, proper laboratory control, and scientific testing.
7. Testing Monitor. All aspects of the drug use testing program, including the taking of specimens, Tw [(T)1(he)C6.r lhicl m codcted t usaf2(r)3(e)2(ng)urnhers( M)-1(ona)4(1)-3(u)- boa3(opr)3

director or designee with the results. Procedures for maintaining confidentiality will be practiced.

5. Refusal to submit to a drug use test. If a participant student refuses to submit to a drug use test under this policy, such student shall not be eligible to participate in any extracurricular activity, including all meetings, practices, performances, and competition for 180 school days, upon completion of which, the participating student shall again be subject to this policy.

SOURCE: Mississippi School Board Association

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