#### **Fremont Unified School District**

## Student Code of Conduct for Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities

Students who participate in the District's extracurricular and cocurricular activities are ambassadors of the school and the District. They are expected to model positive behaviors. Participation in these activities is a privilege, conditioned upon meeting the eligibility criteria established by The California Education Code, Board policy, administrative rules and regulations, and/or individual activity coaches and advisors. Each student participant and his/her parent/guardian are required to read and agree to the District's Student Code of Conduct before participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities.

The Student Code of Conduct covers all extracurricular and cocurricular activities, as defined in Education Code Section 35160.5. Generally, these are activities that are supervised or financed by the District where the student represents the District in performing before an audience or spectators. Examples of such activities include, but are not limited to: athletics, instrumental and vocal music performances, drama productions, contests and performances for spirit squads and drill teams, academic competitions, speech/debate contests, mock trial, and elected/honorary offices.

Students participating in extra and/or cocurricular activities are expected to:

- Demonstrate high standards of ethics and sportsmanship
- Understand and strive to maintain academic excellence and participation eligibility
- Demonstrate cooperative attitudes and participate to personal capacity
- Comply with all rules of conduct that apply when the student is in school

# **Eligibility for Participation**

To be eligible for participation in extra and/or cocurricular activities, students must at all times meet satisfactory educational progress, as defined in the Education Code, and the District's academic eligibility policies, attendance requirements, and student conduct standards:

- Academic Requirements- Students must adhere to State and District academic eligibility requirements as outlined in Education Code Section 35160.5 and BP/AR 6145.
- To be eligible to participate in extracurricular and cocurricular activities, students must demonstrate satisfactory educational progress in the previous grading period including but not limited to:
  - 1. Be on target for graduation. To be considered on target a student must be passing courses totaling 30 or more credits each semester.
  - 2. Be enrolled in courses totaling 30 or more credits (may include community college courses) each semester.
  - 3. Maintain a minimum of a "C" (2.0) GPA average at the end of each grading period (progress report grades and/or semester grades).
  - 4. Freshmen enter on probation. Eligibility for freshmen in the fall will be established at the end of the first grading period
- Probation: following distribution of grades to students).
  - 1. A student may be placed on probation when he/she fails to maintain a "C" (2.0) grade point average.
    - a. The student must be passing the equivalent of a minimum of 30 credits each semester
  - 2. A student may not be placed on probation for consecutive grading periods.
- Attendance Requirements- For extra and/or cocurricular activities occurring on days that school is open, in order to participate, the student must be in attendance at school for at least four periods or (meet the requirements of minimum day for an alternative schedule) on the day of the activity.

• Student Conduct Requirements- To maintain eligibility for participation in Fremont Unified School District extra and/or cocurricular activities, students must conduct themselves in a manner that does not violate District Board policies or the California Education Code. Students who represent the school in an activity are expected to serve as good role models to other students and to members of the community.

Student may lose eligibility when one or more of the following takes place:

- Conduct for which a student may be suspended or expelled under the California Education Code and/or Board Policy/AR 5114
- Engagement in any criminal behavior
- Use of controlled substances, including but not limited to alcohol, tobacco, and drugs
- Disrespectful conduct, including hazing, use of profanity, and/or offensive remarks of a sexual nature
- Poor sportsmanship and/or retaliation against teammates, coach/advisor, staff, game officials, parents, or opposing team members and staff
- Failure to maintain satisfactory educational progress

### **Ineligibility**

Any student who fails to meet the Student Code of Conduct expectations during the period of the school year in which he/she participates in an extra and/or cocurricular activity is subject to a loss of eligibility. (Athletes will also need to meet CIF/NCS eligibility rules.)

The loss of eligibility means:

- Possible suspension from competition/participation in all school sponsored activities for a given period of time
- Required student/parent conference with administrator, coach, and/or advisor
- Law enforcement contact if appropriate

#### Coach/Advisor/Administration Sanctions

- The District and school administration, coach, and/or advisor may impose other additional penalties or consequences, separate and apart from the penalties listed above, in response to serious violations of the School District's policies, team/activity rules and/or community laws.
- If the student commits an offense for which the Education Code authorizes suspension and/or expulsion, or who violates BP5114, while participating in an extra or cocurricular activity, the coach/advisor may remove the student from the team/group for the duration of the season or remove the student from performances/competitions.
- If the student violates rules of the team, group, or District while on a team/group sponsored activity away from school, the student may be removed from the team/group or be removed from performances/competitions.

### **Additional Guidelines**

The District's intent is to expect and support positive student behavior at all times and to discourage and deter illegal, unhealthy, and/or inappropriate behavior. Violations of school or District rules, the Education Code, or other laws while enrolled in the Fremont Unified School District may result in the student's ineligibility for participation.

**Appeals** 

A student or a student's parent/guardian may appeal the eligibility decision by notifying the principal in writing of the desire to appeal. By the conclusion of the third school day after an appeal has been filed, the principal will issue a decision on the appeal of the alleged violation of the Student Code of Conduct. The student will not be allowed to participate in any contest or performance during the appeal process. The principal's decision is final.

# Student Code of Conduct for Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities

We have read and understood the Fremont Unified School District's Student Code of Conduct for students participating in extracurricular and cocurricular activities.

ACTIVITY	
PRINT STUDENT NAME (LAST, FIRST)	
STUDENT SIGNATURE DATE PARENT/GUARDIA	AN SIGNATURE DATE