

**LAKE LOCAL SCHOOLS  
CO-CURRICULAR AND EXTRA-CURRICULAR  
Student Alcohol, Tobacco, and other Drugs (ATOD)**

**REGULATIONS**

The most important goal of the Lake Local Schools' activities program is to provide every participant the opportunity to grow mentally, morally, physically, and emotionally. To assure that the programs can provide these opportunities, self-discipline is required by each participant. Self-discipline involves compliance with rules and regulations concerning personal behavior.

Participation in co-curricular and extra-curricular activities in the Lake Schools is to be considered a PRIVILEGE and not a RIGHT. The following code of conduct has been established for all co-curricular and extra-curricular activities. Included, but not limited to, are all clubs, class organizations, athletic programs, academic competitions, honors programs, intramurals, music programs, student government, and awards programs. A signed contract must be on file before a student may participate in any extra-curricular or co-curricular activity.

**TO PARTICIPATE**

Students in grades 7-12 who choose to participate in any extra-curricular/co-curricular activity must sign a contract before participation begins. If violations occur that affect the student conduct rules which are published in the Lake High School and Lake Middle School student handbooks, then consequences for both shall apply.

**DURATION OF CONTRACT**

These regulations will be in effect twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven days a week, for the entire year (12 months) beginning on the day the ATOD contract is signed.

**STATEMENT OF ATOD POLICY**

Students shall not at any time possess, use, sell, offer to sell, deliver, conceal, consume, or be under the influence of any counterfeit drugs of abuse. Counterfeit drugs of abuse include any substances that are directly or indirectly represented to be a drug of abuse. Participants shall not possess, use, sell, offer to sell, deliver or conceal any instruments or paraphernalia for use with drugs of abuse. Use of drugs authorized by a physician, or wine consumed as a part of a religious or family ceremonial occasion shall not be considered in violation of this policy.

**DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES**

*Voluntary Admission (First Offense):* Voluntary admission occurs when a student and/or parent admits to an ATOD violation PRIOR to any reported incident of abuse. Voluntary admission does not apply when there is deliberated attempt to circumvent the "first offense" step following a violation. Voluntary admission shall result in an assignment to "Insight" class and/or professional ATOD assessment. There will be no punitive consequences. However, failure to comply with all the recommendations will result in reassignment to the Involuntary Violation ("first offense") step.

*Involuntary Violation (First Offense):* Involuntary discovery of a violation will result in an immediate 10-day denial of participation for all scheduled events (including 20% of the next scheduled contests/performance) in each activity in which the student currently participates. This is considered a "first offense" violation.

A "first offense" student not currently involved in any activity at the time of the violation requires no suspension, but does require that the student be assigned "Insight" class at the first opportunity.

**Note:** Failure to complete the above requirements will result in the suspension from all activities for sixty (60) school days. This includes "post-season awards" presentations until all obligations have been met.

*Subsequent Violations (Second Offense):* Second (or more) violations within a 12 month period will result in the student's restriction from extracurricular or co-curricular activities for a period of one calendar year (beginning with the date of the suspension); the student must also complete a professional ATOD assessment. A second violation occurring at least one calendar year after the first violation will be considered a "first offense"; however, a professional ATOD assessment will be mandatory to be completed by the student along with assignment to "Insight" class.

**SPECIAL NOTATIONS TO THE POLICY**

*Advisor/Coach Regulations:* Each advisor/coach shall develop a written set of rules/regulations which support or extend the Lake Schools' ATOD policy. National organizational rules (e.g., National Honor Society) will be observed.

*Student Leaders:* A student who holds a position of leadership (i.e., team captain, class officer, club officer, etc.) and who violates any part of the ATOD policy will forfeit the leadership position for one calendar year from the date of the offense. Additionally, a student who has violated the policy prior to entry of the activity shall not be considered for a leadership position (e.g., Homecoming court) for a period of one calendar year from the date of the offense.

*Due Process:* A student who is found to be in violation of the ATOD policy will have a hearing with the advisor/coach and the building principal. The principal will give a description of the offense and the assigned consequences in writing to the student. The student and his/her parent or guardian may appeal the penalty by notifying the principal in writing with five (5) days of the principal's decision. The superintendent may likewise affirm, reverse, or modify the disciplinary action. The superintendent's decision on such appeal will be final.

*Exclusion:* The penalty of exclusion from an activity is separate and apart from those provided in the Board of Education policy with respect to regular instruction.

*Selling of Controlled Substances:* A student selling illegal or controlled substances shall be suspended from participation in extracurricular or co-curricular activities for a minimum of one calendar year.