

TUSTIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ATHLEITC CODE OF CONDUCT

Arnold O. Beckman High School

"A School of Patriots"

While team closeness and togetherness is anticipated, there are certain minimum standards of conduct and appearance that must be maintained to ensure highest morals and proper team spirit. Each high school takes a vital interest in athletic teams by promoting firm, fair discipline, as well as responsible standards of behavior, dress, and grooming. The athletes represent the community, district, and school and should display exemplary traits of sportsmanship and fair play.

Beckman High School firmly believes that athletic participation is the equivalent to Honors Physical Education. As in an academic honors class, more work, time, effort, and commitment are required to be successful. It is recognized that the rules and regulations that follow are necessary to maintain team morale, team and individual discipline, and effective learning. Participation in athletics is a privilege, not a right, and may be revoked by school personnel when a student-athlete violates this code.

REQUIRED FORMS/EXPECTATIONS FOR ENTERING COMPETITIVE ATHLETICS

- **Prior to participation, student-athlete-athletes must provide to the Athletic Director (On file at the school):**
 - Preparticipation Physical Evaluation – 2 sided (signed by both the parent/guardian and physician.)
(Ivory Form – Please fill out and sign “Side 1” prior to physical exam)
CIF regulations require that each student-athlete have an annual physical examination or a statement by a medical practitioner, certifying that the student-athlete is physically fit to participate in athletics. This must be completed before a student-athlete may **TRY OUT, PRACTICE** or **PARTICIPATE** in any athletic activity.
(per CIF Blue Book)
 - Tustin Unified School District Athletic Clearance Form – 2 sided
(Blue Cardstock – STUDENT-ATHLETE-ATHLETE AND PARENT MUST SIGN SEVEN (7) TIMES)
Signatures of student-athlete and parents on all forms are required!
- **ASB CARD** is expected of all athletes due to ASB assistance in paying for game officials, awards and tournaments.
- **TRANSPORTATION FEE - (White Form – Please return to student store)**

CITIZENSHIP

- A student-athlete-athlete is considered to be a student-athlete from the date of their first team involvement.
- Tustin Unified School District student-athletes must be good citizens in the classroom, on campus, in the community, and on the field of play.
- Infractions involving hazing (i.e. cutting other student's hair without permission) the use of tobacco, other serious violations, or disciplinary actions carry a penalty of suspension from team activities and restricted participation in school activities. The Athletic Council will review infractions. The Council's response to infractions may be, but not limited to, the following:

First Offense

Suspension from 1 to 10 days of athletic participation

Second Offense

Suspension from 10 to 15 days of athletic participation

Third Offense

Suspension from athletics for up to one year

- D. Less serious discipline problems arising within the domain of practice and/or games are to be handled at the coaches' discretion. The parents will be informed at the earliest possible time.
- E. Infractions of a less serious nature may result in a student-athlete being suspended from squad participation directly by the coach. If a coach suspends a student-athlete for more than one day the coach must contact the Athletic Director as well as the athlete's parents.
- F. **Game Conduct:** Any student-athlete-athlete who verbally or through gestures communicates profanity to an opponent, game official, or fans will be required to come before the Athletic Council for disciplinary action.
- G. **Game Conduct:** Any student-athlete who physically assaults a game or event official shall be banned from interscholastic athletics for the remainder of the student-athlete's eligibility. A game or event official is defined as a referee, umpire or any other official assigned to interpret or enforce rules of competition at an event or contest. **(CIF Article 5 - By-Laws 522)**
- H. A student-athlete dismissed from any team will be removed from 6th period athletics and placed into a regular physical education class.
- I. **Dropping (or quitting) a sport:** If a student-athlete leaves a squad without the permission of the coach, the athlete shall not participate in another sport until the first sport season is completed and shall be removed from the athletic period of physical education.
- J. A student-athlete will notify his/her coach prior to any absences from a practice or a game. A continual attendance problem may be grounds for suspension from the team. The Athletic Director will be directly involved in this decision.
- K. After the season is complete, athletes will be placed in the Athletic Conditioning class or a regular physical education class to fulfill student-athlete's physical education requirement (provided staffing is available)

ALCOHOL/NARCOTICS

- **TUSTIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (School Board Policy 5131)**
 - Any student-athlete of the Tustin Unified School District who possesses, uses, transports, or is under the influence of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, intoxicant of any kind, or who possesses or sells any drug paraphernalia, shall be subject to suspension and involuntary transfer or expulsion.
 - Any student-athlete who sells a controlled substance shall immediately be suspended and shall be recommended for expulsion.
 - The above provisions apply to acts related to school activities or attendance, which occur at any time, including, but not limited to any of the following:
 - While on school grounds.
 - While going to or coming from school.
 - During the lunch period whether on or off the campus.
 - During, or while going to or coming from, a school sponsored activity.

SCHOLASTIC ELIGIBILITY (CIF and TUSD Rules)

- A. **CIF BLUE BOOK REGULATIONS (please visit <http://cifss.org> if you have any questions)**
 - a. All Student-athletes must meet the following criteria:
 - i. The student is currently enrolled in at least 20 semester hours (4 periods) of work.
 - ii. The student was passing in the equivalent of at least 20 semester hours (4 periods) of work at the completion of the most recent grading period. (Physical Education or Athletics counts toward overall grade point average)

- iii. The student is maintaining minimum progress toward meeting the high school graduation requirements as prescribed by the student handbook.
- iv. The student had maintained during the previous grading period a minimum 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale in all enrolled courses.

B. TUSTIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT RULES

- a. ALL CIF-SS Rules Apply
- b. Any student-athlete entering from the eighth grade and accepted in a four year high school is eligible.
- c. In order to be eligible for any co-curricular activity, a student-athlete shall maintain a 2.0 GPA during the preceding grading period. Eligibility at **Beckman High School is based upon quarter and semester grading periods.**
 - i. A student-athlete who doesn't maintain a 2.0 GPA shall be put on **academic probation** for the following grading period. During that grading period, the student-athlete shall continue to be eligible as long as satisfactory progress toward eligibility is made. (Coach and Athletic Director shall monitor)
 - ii. If, at the end of the probationary grading period, the student-athlete has not achieved a 2.0 GPA he/she shall be ineligible for the following grading period.
 - iii. CIF ineligible student-athletes become eligible if they pass 4 classes and have a 2.0
 - iv. Athletes shall be in attendance at least four periods the day of the contest. Failure to attend four classes will subject the athlete to a one game suspension on that day.

GENERAL INFORMATION

• CONTESTS:

- The appointed coach shall be in charge of the team before, during, and after all athletic contests.
- Game time and location will be arranged so that participants miss a minimum amount of their class work. It is the responsibility of each athlete to make up all work that is missed.

• TRANSPORTATION:

- The usual means of transportation to athletic contests is by school bus. Occasionally other means of transportation will be authorized, but only when specifically approved in advance.
- All participants must travel to contests by school bus or other school authorized transportation. Participants arriving at contests by any other means will be denied the privilege of participation.
- All student-athletes participating in field trips or competitive events shall return with the group unless released by the coach, using a verified signature log, to the custody of the student-athlete's parent(s)/guardian. (See TUSD. Regulation 6174) – Additionally, notification must be made to the Athletic Director one day prior to event.

• EQUIPMENT & FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS

- Each student-athlete is responsible for the use and care of the equipment issued to him/her.
- Each student-athlete is financially responsible for all school athletic gear checked out to him/her.
- Any student-athlete who does not return or pay for all school equipment issued to him/her immediately at the close of each sport season will not be issued any further equipment and will not be allowed to report to another sport until the debt is cleared.

- Each student-athlete athlete is responsible for payment of transportation fee at the beginning of each season of sport.
- Each student-athlete is expected to purchase an ASB prior to participation in a sport.

- **LOCKER ROOM PROCEDURES**

- Locker rooms are not always secure locations. It is highly recommended that the utmost care be taken in securing your equipment and personal articles. **The school DOES NOT take responsibility for loss of items from locker rooms.**

CIF – Southern Section and State Code of Ethics for Student-Athletes

Athletics is an integral part of the school's total educational program. All school activities, curricular and extra-curricular, in the classroom and on the playing field, must be congruent with the school's stated goals and objectives established for the intellectual, physical, social and moral development of its students. It is within this context that the following Code of Ethics is presented.

As an athlete, I understand that it is my responsibility to:

1. Place academic achievement as the highest priority.
2. Show respect for teammates, opponents, officials and coaches.
3. Respect the integrity and judgment of game officials.
4. Exhibit fair play, sportsmanship and proper conduct on and off the playing field.
5. Maintain a high level of safety awareness.
6. Refrain from the use of profanity, vulgarity and other offensive language and gestures.
7. Adhere to the established rules and standards of the game to be played.
8. Respect all equipment and use it safely and appropriately.
9. Refrain from the use of alcohol, tobacco, illegal and non-prescriptive drugs, anabolic steroids or any substance to increase physical development or performance that is not approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration, Surgeon General of the United States or American Medical Association.
10. Know and follow all state, section and school athletic rules and regulations as they pertain to eligibility and sports participation.
11. Win with character, lose with dignity.

