

Bellefontaine High School Athletic Code

Philosophy

The Bellefontaine City Schools Board of Education, the school administration, and the athletic department strongly believe that certain standards of behavior, scholarship, and citizenship are important to a sound athletic program. These expectations, sometimes more stringent than those required of an individual outside of athletics, are placed upon someone who presents himself/herself as a member of an athletic team or squad. It is also believed that the athlete has a strong influence in the school, community, and among his/her peers. It is further accepted that good habits of health, behavior, and scholarship are important to the athlete, the school, and its athletic program.

Introduction

Those teams/squads that are recognized as being within the Bellefontaine High School Athletic Department are:

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| 1) Baseball | 8) Soccer (Boys and Girls) |
| 2) Basketball (Boys and Girls) | 9) Swimming and Diving (Boys and Girls) |
| 3) Bowling (Boys and Girls) | 10) Softball |
| 4) Cheerleading | 11) Tennis (Boys and Girls) |
| 5) Cross Country (Boys and Girls) | 12) Track and Field (Boys and Girls) |
| 6) Football | 13) Volleyball |
| 7) Golf (Boys and Girls) | 14) Wrestling |

All participants of the teams/ squads that are identified above are subject to the rules and regulations that are set forth by the individual sport, the BHS Athletic Department, Bellefontaine High School, and the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA), where applicable. The rules and regulations stated in this code are a supplement to and an extension of the rules of the OHSAA, Bellefontaine City Schools, and Bellefontaine High School.

It is significant to state that participation in any extracurricular activity is a **privilege**, rather than a right. Therefore, this privilege may be denied to the participant if specified or implied rules of conduct are violated.

The rules and regulations identified within this document are to become effective when the athlete initially becomes a participant in any organization that is recognized as a part of the Athletic Department. They are to remain in effect throughout the **calendar year** until the athlete is no longer a student at BHS or he/she no longer is a participant in any athletic program due to one of the following:

- 1) The student elects to no longer participate in any athletic organization for the remainder of his/her enrollment at BHS.
- 2) The student is “cut” from a team or squad and does not participate in another one.
- 3) The student has been denied the privilege of participation in athletics for the remainder of his/her enrollment at BHS.

Eligibility

The eligibility standards pertaining to scholarship, age, residency, enrollment, and attendance, conduct, character, discipline, transfers, foreign exchange programs, recruitment, etc. shall be those established by the OHSAA, except for those that are either not addressed by the OHSAA, and consequently have been put in place by the school district or BHS, or those that have been made stricter by the school district or BHS.

In order to be eligible for interscholastic competition or participation at contests, a student must be enrolled in Bellefontaine High School, Ohio High Point Career Center, Jefferson County Virtual Learning Academy (VLA), Home Schooled (living in the BCS district) or meet criteria under ORC 3313.5311(B). In addition, the student must have been enrolled in school during the immediately preceding grading period and must meet or exceed the following academic standards as established by the Board of Education of the Bellefontaine City Schools.

- 1) The athlete must be enrolled in and passing 5 credits (Note: Block credits are doubled while yearlong or VLA classes are the same credit worth.)
 - An athlete participating in Post-Secondary option classes must provide documentation of credits and grades at the end of BHS grading periods.
- 2) The athlete must have achieved at least a 1.5 grade point average (GPA) on a 4.0 grading scale during the immediately preceding grading period. (E.g. A = 4)
- 3) If the student's GPA for the immediately preceding grading period is below a 2.0 but at least a 1.5, he/she will be required to attend study tables during A/I five times a week. Failure to attend study tables will result in the following consequences:
 - a) 1st Violation: Warning from the Study Tables Supervisor
 - b) 2nd Violation: Meeting with the Athletic Director in the athletic office.
 - c) 3rd Violation: Meeting with Head Coach and the Athletic Director in the athletic office.
 - d) 4th Violation: Suspension of 10% of the number of regular season games remaining of that sport season.
 - e) 5th Violation: The athlete will be declared academically ineligible for the remainder of that grading period by the BHS administration.
 - Students must be in study tables by 7:30 AM each day. 2 tardies will automatically move the student to Step #3 (Meeting with the Head Coach)
- 4) A home schooled student taking one core curriculum high school class @ BHS must achieve a letter grade of "C" or better. A student taking two or more classes must achieve at least a 1.5 GPA.

Eligibility / Ineligibility

A student coming off the "ineligible" status may become eligible twenty-four (24) hours after the mandatory grade reporting date established by the Board of Education or other similar governing body of the school district, provided that the reporting date is applicable to all students in the school.

The eligibility of a transfer student must be established by records or verification from the school from which the student is transferring. Such a student cannot be eligible for the first grading period of

attendance at BHS until this information is received and compliance with OHSAA transfer bylaws has been verified.

The responsibility of establishing eligibility lies with Bellefontaine High School and final determination is the responsibility of the BHS administration.

School Attendance

To participate in any school activity, contest, or practice, a student is to be present at school or a school related function if school is in session. The definition of present is in attendance from at least 11:00 through the remainder of the school day. Any exception to this rule will be determined by the administration. If, however, a student “cuts” one or more classes during the school day, he/she will not be permitted to participate on that day.

The question of participation on a day (i.e. Saturday or during a break) that is not a regular school day when the student was not present on the last day of school immediately preceding said day will be determined by the Athletic Director or Principal. The guideline will be if the absence is one for which the student would be permitted to make up work in the classes missed.

Detention

Any athlete who has been assigned to detention by a teacher, the Associate Principal, or the Principal must serve the assigned time. Having practice or a contest is not an excuse that can be used for this disciplinary action. Participation is not to occur until the assigned detention has been served.

It is the responsibility of the athlete to inform his/her coach or advisor that he/she may be late. The coach or advisor may issue additional disciplinary measures for being late.

SAP / Suspension

If a student athlete is issued an Out of School Suspension, he/she may not participate on the day(s) that the disciplinary action is in effect. Since a suspension spanning a school break may present a unique situation, the length of time that a student is not permitted to participate in athletics will be similar to that which would have occurred if school had been in session.

If a student is assigned to the In School Suspension Alternative Program (ISS), he/she may participate on the day(s) of the SAP assignment if said suspension is the first one to have been assigned to him/her during the school year. If the student receives any additional assignments of SAP during the same school year, he/she will not be able to participate on the days of said suspension.

Hazing

The practice of hazing in any form will not be tolerated. Violations will be considered an infraction of the Major Violation section of the Athletic Code of Conduct.

The Board of Education believes that hazing activities of any type are inconsistent with the educational process and prohibits all such activities at any time in school facilities, on school property, and/or off school property if the misconduct is connected to activities or incidents that have occurred on school property. No administration, faculty member, or other Board employee shall encourage, permit, condone, or tolerate any hazing activities. No student shall plan, encourage, or engage in any hazing. It is important to recognize that hazing is a crime in Ohio and may lead to civil liability for school personnel and the District if it is tolerated or ignored.

Hazing shall be defined for purposes of this policy as performing any act or coercing another, including the victim, to perform any act of initiation into any class team, organization, or status that causes or creates a substantial risk of causing mental or physical harm. Permission, consent, or assumption of risk by an individual subjected to hazing should not lessen the prohibitions contained in this policy.

Administrators, faculty members, and other employees of the Board shall be alerted to possible situations, circumstances, or events which might include hazing. If hazing or planned hazing is discovered, the student involved will be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct, the Athletic Code of Conduct, or both. All hazing incidents shall be reported immediately to the Superintendent or other responsible administrator.

Sportsmanship Philosophy and Guidelines

The Bellefontaine High School Athletic Department believes that interscholastic competition involving member schools of the Ohio High School Athletic Association should be governed by the basic principles of good sportsmanship. This section of the Athletic Code has been prepared to insure that all participants have a common understanding of these basic principles.

It is believed that student athletes should be coached to play to the best of their abilities and to understand that to play well is to compete with honor. The promotion of sportsmanship is the obligation of all school personnel and is directed to the behavior of spectators, coaches, and players. It is, therefore, expected that school administrators, coaches, athletes, and spectators know and embrace these fundamentals of sportsmanship.

Respect should be demonstrated for an athletic opponent and for the school that they represent. Bellefontaine High School should treat all visiting teams and their spectators as guests of our school and accord them the consideration that all persons deserve. Visiting schools should respect the property and dignity of their host school and its athletic teams.

Knowledge of, and a proper respect for the current rules of the contest, should guide the behavior of all participants. Rules are essential for a fair contest and good sportsmanship states the importance of conforming to the spirit as well as the "letter" of the rules.

All participants should strive to maintain self-control at all times. The desire to win should not be accepted as a reason for abandoning rational behavior. A proper perspective of the contest must be maintained by all individuals involved if the potential educational values of athletic competition are to be gained.

All participants should learn to recognize and appreciate the skill in the performance of student athletes regardless of the school affiliation. In order for good sportsmanship to prevail, it is essential that all participants understand their individual responsibilities and expected behaviors at an athletic contest.

Award Recognition

Since the Awards Program, which usually follows the final contest of the season, is considered to be an important part of the season, it is strongly encouraged that all athletes and their parents attend the awards program for his/her specific sport to complete the season and to receive their award(s). Head Coaches will be responsible for setting up their teams individual meeting date, time and location.

Team Attendance

Attendance at all team functions is very important to the development of the athlete and the wellbeing of the team. Absences from or tardiness to these functions might jeopardize the athlete's participation time. The Head Coach or Advisor will provide written rules pertaining to attendance requirements and the consequences of absences or tardiness. The rules may include being denied the privilege of participation for the remainder of the season or forfeiture of any recognition at the end of the season if these rules are repeatedly violated.

Quitting a Team

It is the belief of the Athletic Department that any student who becomes a member of a team should fulfill the commitment to that group. Therefore, quitting a team before the end of a season may have consequences. Failure to participate when scheduled to do so by the coach may be considered as quitting the team. Any student who does quit or for disciplinary reasons is denied the privilege of participation on an athletic team or squad once that team has started practicing will not be permitted to participate in another sport, including any off season training or activity, until the former team has completed its last contest.

An exception to this rule is one in which the player, after conferring with the Head Coach of the original team, quits with the consent of this coach. Before permission to participate on another team is granted, the student must ask the Athletic Director to review his/her case with the coach of the former team and the coach of the team he/she wishes to join. In the event that these two coaches do not come to a mutual agreement, the case may be appealed to the Athletic Director for a ruling. Any athlete who is permitted to join another team must complete a minimum of 7* days of practice with the new team before he/she may participate in a game or scrimmage.

*OHSAA rules may require more days of practice before competition is permitted.

Concurrent Participation

Due to inherent difficulties of participating on more than one team or squad during the same season, this practice is discouraged. If, however, the head coaches of the respective teams or squads and the

Athletic Director mutually agree to allow the athlete to participate on more than one team simultaneously, it will be permitted. Any athlete joining a second team under these conditions is subject to the minimum 7* days of practice with that team prior to participation in a contest. In the case of a conflict between an academic and athletic event, the academic event will take precedence. Conflicts may be subject to a hearing of the administration.

*OHSAA rules may require more days of practice before competition is permitted.

Non-Interscholastic Participation

Athletes should consult with their respective coaches in regards to OHSAA rules pertaining to off-season games, tournaments, or practices in their respective sports. Any non-interscholastic participation in contests within a given sport is definitely prohibited during the season of that sport. Violations will result in the athlete being declared ineligible by the OHSAA and could result in forfeiture of games by the school's team.

Transportation

When the school provides transportation (bus, van, etc.) for athletes to travel to away contests, all participants are to ride the provided vehicle both to and from the contest. An exception may be made for certain extenuating or emergency circumstances when the student rides with his/her parent/guardian and the parent/guardian has provided a written request to the coach or advisor who is in charge. A further exception may be made to allow the student to ride with the parent/guardian of another student under **very** extenuating circumstances. In this latter case, the parent/guardian must sign a permission slip that knowingly allows his/her child to ride with another identified parent. This will be permitted only in those **rare** instances that the student has two events scheduled in the same day or if an extreme emergency suddenly arises.

Failure to abide by this rule may result in loss of participation time. Repeated violations will result in longer periods of time that the student is denied the privilege of participation and could result in removal from the team for the remainder of the season.

Equipment and Uniforms

Each athlete is responsible for any equipment/uniform that is issued to him/her. Provisions must be made to place the equipment/uniform in a secure area. At the completion of each competitive season or when the athlete ends his/her participation on the team or squad, all issued equipment must be returned to the coach or advisor in charge. Any equipment/uniform that is the property of the Athletic Department which is not returned or is damaged through negligence or purposeful intent will become the financial responsibility of the athlete and his/her parent/guardian who must pay any replacement or repair costs.

The athlete will not be permitted to participate in any further athletic activity until this equipment/uniform has been returned and/or payment for items that have been damaged/not returned has been made. The replacement cost of any missing/damaged equipment/uniform that has not been settled will be added to the list of school fees owed and a student will not receive his/her diploma until

these fees have been paid. Also, the athlete will not be eligible for any awards at the end of the competitive season until provisions have been made to account for the non-returned or damaged equipment/uniform.

Release By Doctor

Any athlete, who due to injury or illness is under a doctor's care, must furnish a written release from said doctor before being permitted to continue to participate or to return to participation. This release must identify what, if any, restrictions in participation should be exercised or state that full participation is permitted.

Medical Liability

Any and all medical expenses that may arise as a result of participation in any athletic program shall be the sole responsibility of the parent/guardian. Therefore, all athletes must be covered by a Medical Insurance Plan in order to participate in practices or contests. This coverage may be provided by the parent's own family plan or by an alternative plan such as student insurance which may be purchased through the school approved agency. Any change in the status of the athlete's coverage must be brought to the immediate attention of the BHS Athletic Office.

Documents

Each participant is required to submit the following four **completed** documents (and register online) to the BHS Athletic Office before he/she may participate:

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| 1) Physical Examination Form | 5) Sudden Cardiac Arrest Video (online) |
| 2) Emergency Medical Authorization | 6) Concussion Information Sheet (online) |
| 3) Insurance Information Sheet (online) | 7) HIPPA Release Form (online) |
| 4) Participation Contract (online) | |

Each document must be signed by the participant (where applicable) and his/her parent/guardian in order to participate on a team or squad.

Code of Conduct – Major Violations

Athletes who are enrolled at Bellefontaine High School shall not harm themselves, their team, or their school by violating any of the following areas of the Code of Conduct:

- 1) No athlete will use, misuse, possess*, attempt to obtain, or offer for sale or use to another person any alcoholic beverage, intoxicant, stimulant, depressant, hallucinogenic drug, counterfeit drug, anabolic steroid**, and /or a substance that produces toxic vapors that is not specifically prescribed by someone, such as a physician who can legally prescribe such a substance.**

*Definition of Possession:

- a) On his/her person, in his/her locker or articles owned, worn or transported by the athlete.
 - b) In a vehicle or at a gathering, unaccompanied by their parent or legal guardian, where alcohol or drugs are present. (The athlete is to remove himself/herself immediately from the said situation.)
- ** The use of steroids is covered further by OHSAA rules.
- 2) No athlete will use or possess tobacco* in any form.**
*The use of tobacco during contests is covered further by OHSAA rules.
- 3) No athlete will steal, possess without the consent of the owner, and /or vandalize or destroy school or personal property belonging to someone else.**
a) Full restitution by the violator to the owner will be part of the disciplinary procedure.
- 4) No athlete will conduct a serious breach of sportsmanship during an athletic contest as covered by OHSAA rules.**
a) Any breaches of sportsmanship not covered by OHSAA rules will be handled as a major violation of the Athletic Code of Conduct.
- 5) No athlete will violate any section of the Student Major Misconduct Code that is not covered elsewhere in #1-4 (e.g. assault, menacing, criminal damaging, criminal trespassing, theft, or any other conduct deemed detrimental to the image of BHS athletics as a whole as determined by the Principal/Athletic Director)**
a) If a student receives a consequence from the school administration for violating anything addressed in #5, there will be a meeting between the Principal and Athletic Director to determine if additional consequences (athletic) are warranted. It is NOT the intention of the Athletic Department to “double-penalize” student-athletes, although in certain circumstances it may be warranted.

The sequence (first, second, etc.) of violations of this code is to be cumulative in its consequences throughout the athlete’s years of participation in athletics at BHS. A violation is **NOT** expunged at the end of the season or school year.

If a violation of any area of the Major Violations section of the Code is a second, third, or fourth infraction of the Code, the additional violation will be considered to be at the next level of violation regardless of the specific nature of the earlier violation. For example, if an athlete’s first violation pertained to the use of alcohol, that breach is to be treated as a first violation. If at a later date, the athlete smoked or possessed a cigarette or used ‘snuff’, this is to be considered a second violation of the Code although it was the first time tobacco was used.

Any references to a length of time (week, year, percent of games, etc.) during which privileges may be denied is a calendar period of time. Therefore, denial of privileges may carry over to the next sports season or year.

Sequence of Violations

First Violation

If the athlete is found to be in violation of this section (Major Violation) of the Athletic/Activities Code of Conduct and has been given due process, the consequences will be as follows:

1. Denial of the privilege of participation in 20% of the total number of games played by that sport in a regular season, with this total number being rounded up. Students participating in Pep Band or Les Fons will be denied participation in 20% of the group's performances. Class Officers, Student Senate Members, and National Honor Society members will be placed on a thirty day probationary period where they cannot participate in any meetings or activities. NHS members may also be subject to the NHS disciplinary code.
2. While suspended, the athlete is expected to attend all scheduled practices unless the suspension occurs at the end of a season. During the suspension, the athlete will attend all scheduled games and dress according to the coach's wishes. Pep Band & Les Fons members are also expected to attend all practices.
3. The athlete must complete the entire season of the sport during which the violation occurred for the consequences of the suspension to be completely served.
4. Athletes may not join a sport/team that they previously had not been a member of for purposes of circumventing the 20% rule. For example, a soccer player that has not run track in previous seasons may not serve the 20% missed contests during the track season. The student may still join the track team, but the penalty would be served in the sport (soccer) they previously participated in. Freshmen are exempt from this portion.

Second Violation

If the student has been found to be in violation of this section of the Athletic/Activities Code of Conduct for the second time and has been given due process, the consequences will be as follows:

- 1) The athlete will be denied the privilege of participation for 50% of the games played by that sport in its regular season schedule, with that number being rounded up. Students participating in Les Fons or Pep Band will be denied participation for 50% of the group's performances. Class Officers, Student Senate Members, and National Honor Society Members will be placed on a 60 day probationary period and will not be allowed to participate in any club meetings or activities. NHS members may also be subject to the NHS disciplinary code.
- 2) The athlete must complete the entire season of the sport for the consequences of the suspension to be completely served.

- 3) The athlete may not join a sport/team that they previously had not been a member of for purposes of circumventing the 50% rule. For example, a soccer player that had not previously run track in prior seasons may not serve the 50% of missed contests during track season. They may still join the track team, but the penalty would be served in the sport (soccer) previously played. Freshmen are exempt from this portion.

Third Violation

If the student is found to be in violation of this part of the Athletic/Activities Code of Conduct for the third time and has been given due process:

- 1) The student will be denied the privilege of participation for one calendar year or the equivalent of three seasons.

Fourth Violation

If the athlete is found to be in violation of this part of the Athletic/Activities Code of Conduct for the fourth time and has been given due process:

- 1) The athlete will be denied the privilege of participation for the remainder of his/her enrollment at BHS.

Note: The administration of Bellefontaine High School reserves the right to review, assess, and revise these regulations listed above at any time.

Due Process

All violations of the Athletic Code will be reported to the Athletic Director. A conference, which is to include the Athletic Director and the athlete and may also include the Head Coach or Advisor and anyone else that is pertinent to the issue, will be held to determine the validity of the violation. If at the conclusion of this conference the athlete is determined to be in violation of the Athletic Code, the appropriate disciplinary action, as identified above, will be assigned.

The parent/guardian of the athlete will be notified of the infraction and the subsequent disciplinary action. The denial of participation will begin following this notification. The parent/guardian and/or the athlete have the right to appeal the decision to the Principal within one day following the notification.

Bellefontaine High School

Student Extra Curricular Drug and Alcohol Prevention Program

Introduction

It is the belief of Bellefontaine City Schools that substance abuse, chemical dependency, and the situations which often occur while under the influence of mood altering substances are major health and safety hazards in our society and in our school system. The use of illegal substances and the illegal use of drugs are a crime and cannot be condoned.

This program is a pro-active attempt to deter the use of alcohol and drugs. The health and safety of our students is of primary importance. This program is designed to combat the effects of peer pressure by providing a legitimate reason for students to refuse illegal use of drugs and the use of alcohol. It also provides opportunities for those students that do violate the drug/alcohol policy to receive help by participating in intervention and education programs.

Overview

Up to 100% of the students participating in athletics, Les Fons, Pep Band, Class Officers, Student Senate, and National Honor Society may be selected for random drug testing during the school year of their participation. These groups have a static membership and are selected for participation. These activities are extra-curricular, not co-curricular; therefore, participation is a privilege. The procedure for random drug testing of students is set in conjunction with a drug testing vendor selected by the Board of Education. The vendor is provided by the associate principal with a list of eligible students participating in the above activities. These students may then be randomly selected for drug testing by the vendor. The vendor will send qualified collectors to the school who will oversee the collection of all specimens. The vendor will provide interpretation and verification of results.

Results are reported to the building principal and/or his/her designee by the vendor. All urine specimens testing positive for illicit or banned substances will automatically be confirmed by the laboratory.

Random drug testing of students involved in extra-curricular activities is legal as determined by the United States Supreme Court in the case of *Veronia School District 47J (Oregon) vs. Wayne and Judy Acton*.

Collection Process

Bellefontaine City Schools will utilize Corporate Health Services of Mary Rutan Hospital as their drug testing vendor. Corporate Health Services utilizes the federal guidelines used by the United States Department of Transportation (DOT). The entire guidelines utilized by DOT can be found and read at www.dot.gov

On the collection day, students randomly selected by the vendor will be escorted from class to the collection site. **Parents of students who are selected will be contacted the day of the collection (after the collection has taken place).** A specimen of urine is collected following this process:

- 1) No purses, bags, or containers may be taken into the collection area with the student. All extra coats, vests, jackets, sweaters, etc. are to be removed before entering the collection area.
- 2) The collector adds a bluing agent to the water in the urinal or toilet.
- 3) Student is asked to rinse their hands and dry them.
- 4) The drug testing custody and control form is completed by the student and the collector.
- 5) The student is told to urinate directly into the provided container and should provide a sufficient amount of urine (at least 45 ml) in one attempt. The student is also told they are to hand the container of urine to the collector.
- 6) The student enters a closed stall to collect the specimen and then hands the container to the collector.
- 7) The collector checks the volume, reads and records the temperature and looks for evidence of tampering. If tampering is suspected, a second specimen will be requested. A second suspected tampered specimen will be considered **a refusal to test** and the designated official will be notified.
- 8) The collector will then take the properly sealed and identified specimen and place it inside the transport bag.
- 9) The student may wash their hands and is then sent back to class.
- 10) The collector then returns the specimen to the lab for testing.
- 11) The Medical Review Officer (MRO) will review all results of urine drug testing. Any specimen testing positive for illicit drugs will be handled according to the DOT procedures. The vendor will then notify the designated official at BHS of the positive result.

Procedures for Students

1. At the beginning of each year/season/activity or when a student moves into the district, students and parent/guardian/custodian will complete and sign the Bellefontaine City Schools Code of Conduct and Expectations Informed Consent Agreement. **This agreement will then be valid throughout the student's entire high school career.** No student may participate in a practice, activity, performance, or competition until this form is properly completed and on file in the High School office.

2. At the beginning of each year/season/activity or when a student moves into the District, all students wishing to participate in the above listed extra-curricular activities may be subject to urine testing for illicit or banned substances. Up to 100% of eligible students may be randomly tested on an up to bi-weekly basis anytime throughout their year of participation. Any student who refuses to submit to urine drug testing will not be allowed to participate for the Bellefontaine City School District as this will be considered a positive test. Student consequences are listed below.

3. Samples will be collected as outlined under vendor requirements. If an eligible student selected randomly for urine drug testing is not in school on the day of testing, an alternate student will be selected. Students not able to provide an adequate urine specimen at the testing time will be unable to participate in their specified extra-curricular until a proper specimen is provided. A refusal to test will be handled as a positive test.

Procedure in the Event of a Positive Result

Whenever a student's test indicates the presence of illegal drugs or banned substances, the following will occur:

- 1) All positive results are automatically confirmed through testing by the approved vendor. The parent has the option to request that the vendor have the split portion of the specimen tested at a different testing laboratory approved by the principal or his/her designee. The parent must pay for all costs associated with the testing of the second (split) sample. This request must be made within 3 days and if not requested, the first sample will be accepted. The results of the second test must be provided (in writing) to the athletic director no later than 10 days after the request. If results are not returned on time, the results from the initial test will stand.

- 2) If the second test is also positive, the principal and/or his/her designee will be notified by the vendor. The building principal or his/her designee will notify the parent/guardian/custodian first and then the student of any positive results. A written notification from the building principal or his/her designee will be sent to the parent/guardian/custodian. Implementation of the Athletic/Activities Code will begin at the appropriate level.

**Bellefontaine High School
Activities Code of Conduct
Informed Consent Agreement**

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____

As a Student, I understand and agree that participation in the above mentioned groups outlined in the overview of the policy is a privilege that may be withdrawn for violations of the BHS Activities Code of Conduct.

I have read the Activities Code of Conduct and thoroughly understand the consequences that I will face if I do not honor my commitment to it.

I understand that when I participate in the above mentioned groups of the BHS student activity program, I will be subjected to random urine drug testing, and if I refuse, I will not be allowed to practice or participate in any of these activities. I have read the consent on the reverse side of this form and agree to its terms.

I understand that this agreement is binding while I am a student at Bellefontaine High School.

Student's Signature

Date

As a Parent/Guardian, I have read the BHS Activities Code of Conduct and understand the responsibilities of my son/daughter as a participant in student activities at Bellefontaine High School.

I pledge to promote healthy lifestyles for all students participating in the BHS Activities Program.

I understand that my son/daughter, when participating in one of the student activity programs outlined in the overview of the policy, will be subjected to random urine drug testing, and if he/she refuses, will not be allowed to practice or participate. I have read the consent on the reverse side of this form and agree to its terms.

I understand that this agreement is binding while my son/daughter is a student at Bellefontaine High School.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian (Print)

Phone Number

Consent to Perform Urinalysis for Drug Testing

We hereby consent to allow the student named on the front of this form to undergo urinalysis testing for the presence of illicit drugs or banned substances in accordance with the BHS Student Extra Curricular Drug and Alcohol Prevention Program as approved by the Bellefontaine City Schools Board of Education.

We understand that the collection process will be overseen by a qualified vendor.

We understand that any urine samples will be sent only to a certified medical laboratory for actual testing and that the samples will be coded to provide confidentiality.

We hereby give our consent to the medical vendor selected by the Bellefontaine City Schools Board of Education, their laboratory, doctors, employees, or agents, together with any clinic, hospital, or laboratory designated by the selected medical vendor to perform urinalysis testing for the detection of illicit drugs or banned substances.

We further give permission to the medical vendor selected by the Bellefontaine City Schools Board of Education, its doctors, employees, or agents to release all results of these tests to the Medical Review Officer (MRO) working for the medical vendor. We understand these results will be forwarded to the building principal and will also be made available to us.

We understand that consent pursuant to this Informed Consent Agreement will be effective for activities in which this student might participate during the current school year.

We hereby release the Bellefontaine City Schools Board of Education, Mary Rutan Hospital, and their employees for any legal responsibility or liability for the release of such information and records.

Please read and sign the Activities Code of Conduct Informed Consent Agreement on the reverse side of this sheet.

Further Criteria for Participation

In addition to the rules that have been stated above, there are other guidelines that may be unique to an individual sport or activity. Rules of this type must be given to the athlete and/or the parent/guardian by the Head Coach or Advisor. A copy of these rules must be approved by the Athletic Director and on file in his/her office prior to distribution to the athletes. The Head Coach or Advisor will address any infractions of any additional rules.

The coach or school administrator may at any time deny the athletic participation for 24 hours or less for conduct that is dangerous, disruptive, insubordinate, or detrimental to the welfare of the team or squad. Depending on the specific conduct, it may be regarded further as a Major Violation of the Athletic Code of Conduct which may result in further disciplinary action.