

Stark County CUSD 100 Drug Testing Policy

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Board of Education
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Introduction:

In accordance with the IHSA rules and regulations related to performance-enhancing or illicit drugs, Stark County CUSD 100 (SC100) shall implement a substance-testing program for all junior high and high school students that participate in extracurricular activities.

Banned substances:

Cocaine
Opiates
Amphetamines
Methamphetamines
Methylenedioxy Methamphetamine
Benzodiazepines
Buprenorphine
Methadone
Oxycodone

Consent

SC100 shall prohibit a student from participating in competition or other extra curricular event sponsored or sanctioned by the school district unless the following conditions are met:

- The student agrees not to use any substances listed under the “Banned Substances” section of this policy, and, if the student is enrolled in junior high/high school extracurricular activities, the student submits to random testing for the presence of these substances in the student’s body, in accordance with the program established by SC100.
- SC100 obtains from the student’s parent a statement signed by the parent and acknowledging: that the parent’s child, if enrolled in junior high or high school, may be subject to random performance-enhancing or illicit substance testing; that State law prohibits possessing, dispensing, delivering, or administering a performance-enhancing substance in a manner not allowed by State law; that State law provides that bodybuilding, muscle enhancement, or the increase of muscle bulk or strength training through the use of a performance-enhancing substance by a person who is in good health is not a valid medical purpose; **that only a licensed practitioner with prescriptive authority may prescribe a performance-enhancing substance for a person**; and that a violation of State law concerning performance-enhancing substances is a criminal offense punishable by confinement in jail or imprisonment.

Selection of Students to be Tested:

Each school year all students will be assigned a random number to be utilized for testing purposes. Each week 1 junior high and 2 high school numbers will be selected through a random number generator run by the principal or designee. If the student associated with the number selected is actively participating in extracurricular activities, they will be notified and tested. If the student is not in active status for extracurricular participation they will be excused from testing.

Testing Process:

Testing will be conducted at the Henry-Stark County Health Department Toulon Campus.

Transportation will be provided by the school administration staff.

Communication will be made to the parents/guardians of the students who are selected for testing 24 hours prior to the testing appointment.

Standing appointments will be held at the Henry-Stark County Health Department Toulon campus. Billing from the health department will be arranged directly with the district office.

Results will be communicated from the testing facility to the administration office who will in turn communicate the results to the student and parent/guardian.

Positive Results:

Positive tests will be sent off to a third party laboratory for confirmatory testing. The Medical Review Officer (MRO) may grant a Medical Exception to a student who is able to produce documentation showing a legitimate medical need and a prescription from a licensed physician for a banned substance. Results reported as positive by the laboratory shall maintain positive status even though a sanction may not be applied to the student.

Consequence/s:

Any person who tests positively for the banned substance listed in an administered test, or any person who refuses to provide a testing sample, or any person who attempts to alter the integrity or validity of the urine specimen, or any person who reports his or her own violation *may* immediately forfeit his or her eligibility to participate in SC100 sponsored or sanctioned extra curricular activities for a period of up to 365 days from the test results are reported to the student and the school. Any such person shall also forfeit any individual honor earned while in violation. The student-athlete may apply for reinstatement of his/her eligibility no sooner than 90 calendar days of the suspension following successful completion of an approved educational program and testing negative in a subsequent substance test administered by the association's third party test administrator. The costs of the educational program, and the additional substance test, are the responsibility of the student. Additionally, SC100 reserves the right to conduct follow-up substance tests, in accordance with the procedures outlined in this policy, any such person who tests positive for a banned substance listed above.

The district will additionally follow the drug screening process as prescribed by the IHSA/IESA and/or the district's athletic code as follows:

1. It shall be considered a violation of the IHSA B-law 2.170 and its subsections for any student athlete to ingest, or otherwise use any substance of the IHSA's Banned Substance Classes, without written prescription and medical documentation provided by a licensed physician who evaluated the student-athlete for legitimate medical condition.
2. Violations found as a result of the IHSA's Performance-Enhancing Substance Testing program shall be penalized in accordance with the policy.
3. Violations found as a result of any other drug and substance testing (ie. marijuana/ THC/ alcohol) conducted by a member school shall be penalized in accordance with the member school's athletic code of conduct policy.

SC100 Extracurricular Code:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1maRa_-un4iaTx5ru-d5GQbYYRyJX7NMXZAIHwr8agSw/edit?usp=sharing

1. Only those persons authorized by the certified collector or client representative/site coordinator will be allowed in the collection station.
2. Upon entering the collection station, the student will provide photo identification and/or a client representative/site coordinator will identify the student and the student will officially be signed into the collection station.
3. The certified collector and/or client representative may release a sick or injured student from the collection station or may release a student to return to competition or meet academic obligations only after appropriate arrangements for having the student tested have been made and documented.
4. The student will select a sealed collection beaker from a supply of such and will record his/her initials on the collection beaker's lid or attach a unique barcode label to the beaker.
5. Students may not carry any item other than his/her beaker into the restroom when providing a specimen. The student must remove all outer clothing (e.g., jackets, sweaters). Any problem or concern should be brought to the attention of the certified collector or client representative for documentation. Students must wash and dry hands prior to urination.
6. A collector, serving as a monitor to assure the integrity of the specimen until the designated volume of urine has been collected. The monitor must secure the room being used for the monitored collection so that no one except the student and the monitor can enter it until after the collection has been completed. Dyeing agents will be added to toilet bowls to prevent sample substitution and any unsupervised access to water will be eliminated during the collection process.
7. Monitors must be members of the official drug-testing crew and of the same gender as the student providing the sample. The procedure requires the student to empty the contents of all pockets and place them in a container to be left in a location where the student and the monitor can observe. The monitor must request the student raise his/her shirt high enough to observe the midsection area completely ruling out any attempt to manipulate or substitute a sample.
8. The monitor will allow the student to enter the stall and close the door for privacy during the voiding process. If the monitor hears sounds or makes other observations indicating an attempt to tamper with a specimen, there must be an additional collection under direct supervision.
9. Once a specimen is provided, the student is responsible for keeping the collection beaker closed and controlled. The monitor will escort the student to the collection processing area.
10. Fluids and food given to students who have difficulty voiding must be from sealed containers (approved by the collector) that are opened and consumed in the station. These items must be free of any banned substances.
11. If the specimen is incomplete, the student must remain in the collection station until the sample is completed. An initial temperature reading from the beaker will be recorded. During this period, the student is responsible for keeping the collection beaker closed and controlled.
12. If the specimen is incomplete and the student must leave the collection station for a reason approved by the collector, the specimen must be discarded.
13. Upon return to the collection station, the student will begin the collection procedure again.
14. The collection processor will pour off a small volume of the specimen into a separate container to perform specimen validity checks. Specific gravity will be measured first, and if in range, the collector will measure the pH of the urine in the presence of the student.

15. If the urine has a specific gravity below 1.005 (1.010 if measured with a reagent strip), the specimen will be discarded by the student. The student must remain in the collection station until another specimen is provided. The student will provide another specimen.
16. If the urine has pH greater than 7.5 (with reagent strip or digital meter), the specimen will be discarded by the student. The student must remain in the collection station until another specimen is provided. No more than 3 urine specimens with a pH greater than 7.5 will be collected. If the urine has a pH less than 4.5 (with reagent strip or digital meter) will be sent to the laboratory and the student-student is required to remain in the collection station until another specimen is provided.
17. If the urine has a specific gravity above 1.005 (1.010 if measured with a reagent strip) and the urine has a pH between 4.5 and 7.5 inclusive, the specimen will be processed and sent to the laboratory.
18. The laboratory will make final determination of specimen adequacy.
19. If the laboratory determines that a student's specimen is inadequate for analysis, at the client's discretion, another specimen may be collected.
20. If a student is suspected of manipulating specimens (e.g., via dilution), the client will have the authority to perform additional tests on the student.
21. Once a specimen has been provided that meets the on-site specific gravity and pH parameters, the student will select a specimen collection kit and a uniquely numbered Chain of Custody Form (or uniquely numbered set of bar code seals) from a supply of such.
22. A collector will record the specific gravity and pH values.
23. For split sample packaging, the collector will pour approximately 60 mL of the specimen into the "A vial" and the remaining amount (approximately 20 mL) into the "B vial." For single sample packaging, the collector will pour 50 mL into the "A vial." Samples will be shipped to a WADA accredited laboratory.
24. The collector will place the cap on each vial in the presence of the student; the collector will then seal each vial in the required manner under the observation of the student and witness (if present).
25. Vials and forms (if any) sent to the laboratory shall not contain the name of the student.
26. All sealed specimens will be secured in a shipping case. The collector will prepare the case for forwarding.
27. The student, processing collector, monitor and witness (if present) will sign affidavits on the Custody and Control Form (paper or paperless) affirming all procedures were followed as described in the protocol. Any deviation from the procedures must be described and recorded. If deviations are alleged, the student will be required to provide another specimen.
28. After the collection has been completed, the specimens will be forwarded to the laboratory and copies of any forms forwarded to the designated persons.
29. The specimens become the property of the client.
30. If the student does not comply with the collection process, the collector will notify the client representative/site coordinator and third party administrator responsible for management of the drug-testing program.¹

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