



**Franklin County Community School Corporation**  
**Code of Conduct Grades 7-12**

Every student participating in athletics, extracurricular and/or co-curricular activities, and any student driver is expected to adhere to all policies as stated in the Franklin County High School and the Franklin County Middle School Handbook. Coaches, sponsors, teachers and school administrators are responsible for enforcing these rules. Students are expected to behave in a manner, inside and outside of school, that will not reflect discredit upon the school or create a disruptive influence.

**Section 1-POSSESSION, DISTRIBUTION, OR USE OF ALCOHOL, DRUGS,**  
**TOBACCO or any CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE on or off school property:**

Part 1. First Offense - The first offense will result in the student not being able to participate in **50%** of athletics, contests, or activities of the current activity or sport season or the next activity or sport season he/she will compete in if not currently participating in an activity or sport. **The student is required to participate in a drug and alcohol assessment conducted by the Community Mental Health Center. The student is responsible for the cost of this assessment. CMHC will notify building administrator once the assessment is complete. Results of the assessment are confidential and will not be shared with school officials.**

If there is not 50% left in the current activity or sport season, the suspension will carry over the next activity or sport season. If a student participates in another sport or activity to avoid suspension from a sport or activity he/she has always participated in, that athlete or student must complete that season or activity in good standing or the suspension will carry over to the primary sport or activity. If at the end of the 8th grade year, a suspension is not fulfilled, it will carry over to the next sport season or school activity at Franklin County High School.

Part 2. Second Offense - The second offense will result in the student being suspended from **100%** of all activities the student participates in for one calendar year. At the end of one calendar year, the student must pass a drug and alcohol test paid for by the student using the school corporation's vendor to be reinstated. If at the end of the 8th grade year, a suspension is not fulfilled, it will carry over to the next sport season or school activity at Franklin County High School.

Part 3. Third Offense - The third offense will result in the student being suspended from all activities the student participates in for the remainder of his/her school career which is defined as grades 7-8 (FCMS) or 9-12 (FCHS). Offenses are not cumulative from FCMS to FCHS.

**Section 2-Unlawful Acts on or off school property:**

Any student participant involved in any of the following situations will have his/her case considered and action will be based on the judgement of the athletic director, coach, principal, teacher and/or sponsor of the student. The decisions of the people involved may result in the loss of participation, exclusion from the activity and loss of any awards or recognition.

1. The conviction of a felony or misdemeanor or entering into a pretrial diversion.
2. The act of theft or vandalism.
3. Conduct in or out of school, in season or out of season that reflects discredit upon the school or creates a disruptive influence.

**Section 3-Driving Privileges**

The first offense will result in any student driver losing driving privileges for 60 school days. The second offense will result in any student driver losing driving privileges 120 school days. A third offense will result in the student driver losing driving privileges for one calendar year.

**Important Note**

Coaches, sponsors, and/or teachers of each sport/activity may set additional rules and requirements for eligibility in their respective activity. Coaches/sponsors and/or teachers have the necessary authority to enforce those rules. Any student who violates a rule or requirement as a member of a team or activity will be subject to the consequences as defined in those rules and requirements. All such rules shall be presented to prospective students prior to the activity and/or season. Students unable to abide by these rules and requirements shall not be allowed to participate in the activity.