

**Iola-Scandinavia
School District**

2019-2020

ATHLETIC

Code and Policy



IOLA-SCANDINAVIA EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

PART ONE

A. Expectations and/or Communications Parents Should Expect from Iola-Scandinavia Coaches.

1. The expectations the coach (es) has for their child and all team members.
2. Locations and times of all practices.
3. Team requirements, fees (if any), special equipment needed, game day dress, excused/unexcused absences, and the consequences for missing practices or contests.
4. Academic requirements to be athletically eligible (I-S Code and WIAA) as well as WIAA information on banned and prohibited substances.
5. Team rules. What are the rules, if any, beyond what is set forth in the I-S Athletic Code?
6. Lettering requirements.
7. Good leadership in the areas of sportsmanship, appropriate language and the promotion of health and safety.
8. Well planned practices.

B. Expectations and/or Communications Iola-Scandinavia Coaches Should Expect from the Parents and Athletes.

1. Notification of any schedule conflicts in advance of the season (i.e. vacations).
2. Special concerns regarding coaching expectations.
3. Support for the Iola-Scandinavia Athletic Code and all team rules.
4. Encouragement of the athlete to speak with the coach or coaching staff if the athlete has a concern.
5. Support for all team members and the coaching staff.
6. Positive support at contests for their son/daughter, their teammates and the coaching staff.
7. Good sportsmanship and appropriate language by the athlete and parents at contests.
8. A great work ethic at practice.

C. Appropriate Concerns An Athlete/Parent May Address With Iola-Scandinavia Coaching Staff.

1. Treatment of the athlete mentally and physically.
2. Ways to help the athlete improve his/her performance and skill level.
3. Concerns about the athlete's behavior in school/practice/contests.

D. Areas That Are Not Appropriate For Parents to Discuss With Iola-Scandinavia Coaching Staff.

1. An individual's playing time.
2. Team strategy.
3. Play selection.
4. The make-up of the teams that are playing.
5. Other members of the team.
6. Other parents and other coaches.

E. The Proper Method To Address A Concern*

Step One: The athlete speaks with the coach or coaching staff as the sport dictates.

Step Two: Ask for a conference with the coach.

Step Three:

- a. If the conference between the parent and coach does not solve the concern, there will be a meeting set up by the Athletic Director and/or Principal. The Athletic Director and/or Principal will moderate the conference.
- b. The conference will deal with specific issues. Both parties will be allowed to speak and will be uninterrupted. It will be a non-threatening environment.

*** Violations of the Iola-Scandinavia Athletic Code and Policy are dealt with in a different manner as delineated on page 6.**

PART TWO

Philosophy:

The Iola-Scandinavia School District extracurricular programs are designed to provide students with valuable skill development, teamwork and a fun experience that goes beyond the academic realm. In order to retain the privilege of participating in these programs, students are expected to exhibit respectable character and responsible conduct.

At I-S, we believe that students must be willing to accept reasonable rules and regulations or be willing to accept the consequences for not doing so.

Our extracurricular policies are based on this philosophy. Our athletic policies are closely in line with the regulations set forth by the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association.

The School District of Iola-Scandinavia does not discriminate in provision or usage of facilities or providing the opportunity for participation in athletic programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression, or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability or handicap.

Physical Examination and Parental Permission:

A student may not practice for or participate in interscholastic athletics until the school has written evidence on file in its office attesting to (a) parental permission each school year, (b) a current physical fitness to participate in sports as determined by a licensed physician or Advanced Practice Nurse Prescriber (APNP) no less than every other school year with April 1 the earliest date of examination (an alternate year card is needed the opposite year) and (c) a Parent & Athlete Concussion Agreement each school year. A physical examination taken April 1 and thereafter is valid for the following two school years; a physical examination taken before April 1 is valid only for remainder of that school year and the following school year.

Attendance and Participation in Extracurricular Activities:

A student must be in attendance at school all day, periods 1 through 8 and TREK, on the day of the activity in order to participate. Participants are also expected to be in school all day on the day following a contest. Exceptions may be granted only by the Principal via a prearranged absence plan or in cases of unforeseen emergencies. Violations will result in a one contest suspension.

Students who are ill during the school day may not participate in after school practice or activity on the day of their illness.

All participants are expected to be present for all practices as outlined by each respective coach/program. (Exceptions include religion classes, approved preplanned absences, school sponsored activities, funerals etc.).

Transportation for Extracurricular Events:

All students are expected to ride in school provided transportation to and from an event. If a parent needs to transport their son or daughter to the locale of an event, due to extenuating circumstances, or at the conclusion of an event from the locale of the event, they must stop at the school and sign an authorization at least 24 hours prior to the event departure time. This must be approved by the building principal. Coaches/Advisors/Instructors are not expected to make such arrangements at, during, or after the event. Violations may result in contest suspension.

WIAA Scholastic Eligibility:

A student is eligible for interscholastic competition at a member school if he/she is:

- 1) Carried on the attendance rolls as a duly enrolled full-time student of a public member school for purposes of state equalization aids as a Grade 9, 10, 11, or 12 student in that member school. Note: A full-time student is a student where the member school is responsible for programming 100% of the student's school day. The student is eligible for like or similar awards, privileges and services as all other students and meets all obligations and responsibilities as other students, without exception.
- 2) Carried on the attendance rolls as a duly enrolled student of a nonpublic member school as a full-time Grade 9, 10, 11, or 12 student in that member school.
- 3) A student –
 - a. Is ineligible after attending eight semesters or 12 trimesters while enrolled in Grades 9-12.
 - b. May not participate (practice and/or compete) in a sport in more than four different seasons while in Grades 9- 12 or three different seasons while in Grades 10-12.
 - c. May not participate (practice and/or compete) in a sport in more than one season each school year with summer considered an extension of the previous school year. Note: A student who transfers before the end of a season may not exceed in his/her total participation the individual game or meet limitations of that sport. A student may not participate in the tournament series of a sport for two different schools in the same school year. A student who transfers before the end of a season in a sport sponsored in more than one season may participate in both seasons, but may not exceed in his/her total participation the individual game or meet limitations of that sport.
 - d. Must complete eligibility in the four consecutive years starting with Grade 9 and the three consecutive years starting with Grade 10, unless there are documented extenuating circumstances. Note: Eligibility which has been extended beyond the four-year (Grades 9-12) or three-year (Grades 10-12) period cannot be delayed until a semester of the student's or schools own choosing.
- 4) After a student becomes a senior, he/she must conclude eligibility in one academic year through uninterrupted attendance, unless there are documented extenuating circumstances.
- 5) A semester or trimester of eligibility shall be charged to a student after he/she (a) has been in attendance in that semester or trimester at least 40 days (using school starting date and date of withdrawal of student) or (b) has participated in an interscholastic competition.
- 6) A student is ineligible if he/she has not been enrolled in some school by the 17th day of a semester or trimester, except upon request of a school in special cases involving sickness, accident, military service, social services assignment, etc.
- 7) A freshman student who has not completed all work below Grade 9 may be eligible only if he/she is meeting the academic standard in Grade 9 classes in addition to Grade 8 make-up courses.
- 8) A student is ineligible if he/she has graduated from a school offering studies through Grade 12 or its equivalent.
- 9) A student who graduated in May or June retains eligibility for (a) any portion of a spring athletic schedule not completed by the end of the academic year and (b) the school's summer athletic schedule.
- 10) A Grade 9 student attending a school of students in Grade 9 or under is eligible only at the senior high school which he/she will be attending the following year

Academic Eligibility:

A student must meet school and DPI requirements defining a full-time student and have received no more than one failing grade (including Incompletes) in the most recent (school issued) grade-reporting period.

* A senior who has acquired all necessary credits toward graduation is not exempt from this rule.

1. A student who becomes academically ineligible may regain eligibility on the 16th scheduled school day by meeting the academic standard following a period of 15 school days and nights of ineligibility.

2. A student regains eligibility immediately if Incompletes are made up within two weeks after a grade-reporting

3. A student may erase ineligibility status related to the last grade-reporting period of the school year through summer school courses (including correspondence courses) at the same or some other school, provided:

a. The student successfully completes not less than the same number of courses which caused ineligibility.

Note: This section does not apply to summer baseball participants who are governed under 7)-b. below period.

4. A student who is ineligible for a minimum of 15 scheduled school days, under provisions of this Section, may not return to competition until the school day following the 15-day ineligibility period.

5. A student who is enrolled in some courses in a university/college or technical college or some similar institution:

a. Must receive high school credit which meets the academic standard or have a notation made on his/her high school transcript that he/she successfully met the equivalent of the academic standard between the two schools involved. Note: A student who has been assigned to a technical college by the school district is exempt from the provision requiring physical attendance at least one course each day, provided such a student continues being carried on the attendance rolls for purposes of state aids.

6. A student who is enrolled in any state-approved EEN program and receives no usual grades for such courses may be eligible if he/she is making satisfactory progress in his/her total school program as indicated by his/her IEP.

7. The ineligibility status described above will be adjusted as follows for students in fall sports in which the date of earliest allowed competition is before the first day students are in class: The minimum ineligibility period shall be the lesser of (a) 21 consecutive calendar days beginning with the date of the earliest allowed competition in the sport or (b) One-third of the maximum number of games/meets allowed in a sport (rounded up if one-third results in a fraction).

In addition to the WIAA Academic requirements, I-S students will follow these rules regarding grades:

1. A student with one "F" on a progress report or quarter report will remain ineligible until they secure a grade report from the teacher stating that they are now doing passing work in the course.

2. An "F" grade at the end of the semester in which the concerned class has concluded will result in a one contest suspension from competition.

General Rules Regarding Conduct, Academics and Attendance:

As a member of the WIAA we must follow the rules and regulations of the WIAA as well as established rules and penalties for violation of the rules of the WIAA and our school. The following is a set of rules and penalties that all athletes must follow at Iola-Scandinavia. Individual coaches may have further training rules regarding their individual sports.

All training rules and penalties are enforced on a 12-month basis. Rules that do not have a specific penalty stated will be dealt with on an individual basis by the individual coach or the extracurricular council depending on the severity of the offense.

Any student athlete who is suspended from school for any reason and for any length of time will automatically sit out a minimum of one contest, whether in season or not. If in-between seasons, the consequences will carry over to the next participating season. The contest mentioned above does not have to fall on or within the days of suspension.

Training and Conduct Rules:

Student-athletes at Iola-Scandinavia are prohibited from:

1. Use or possession of alcohol (or look-alikes).
2. Use or possession of tobacco, including chewing tobacco (or look-alikes).
3. Use or possession of nicotine products, including electronic cigarettes.
4. Use, possession, buying or selling of controlled substances, street drugs and performance enhancing substances (PES) (or look-alikes).
5. Being in a bar or at a party where alcoholic beverages or illegal/controlled substances are available without direct supervision of his/her parent or legal guardian.
6. Unlawful acts (stealing, vandalism, etc.).
7. Being disrespectful toward authority.
8. Unacceptable conduct contrary to the ideals, principles and standards of the school and the WIAA.
9. Poor sportsmanship.

Violations of 1-6 above are subject to the following minimum suspensions:

1. Football - 2 (two) contests
2. Cross Country, Golf, Volleyball - 3 (three) contests
3. Track- 4 (four) contests
4. Basketball, Hockey, Soccer - 5 (five) contests
5. Baseball, Softball-6(six) contests

Violation of items 7-9 above will result in a minimum one contest suspension.

A contest is an interscholastic game, meet, or match, not including scrimmages.

Athletic code violations will be dealt with, and consequences applied, in chronological order.

Athlete must complete the full season in order for the suspension to be fulfilled.

Consequences for Repeated Violations:

On the second violation of one of the Training and Conduct Rules, the consequences will be doubled. A third violation may result in suspension from extracurricular activities for one year, and a fourth violation may lead to the student's permanent suspension from extra-curriculars. Specific violation consequences for third and fourth violation concerned with athletics will be determined by the Athletic Director and an Advisory Council made up of five coaches.

Appeal of Suspension:

The student participant may challenge a decision by appealing to the Extracurricular Council according to the following process: Students wishing to appeal a decision must do so within 5 calendar days via written letter. During the appeal process, however, or until the Extracurricular Council overrules, the decision will stand.

Extracurricular Council:

The purpose of the Extracurricular Council is to hear cases of appeal from students who wish to challenge disciplinary action regarding athletic eligibility.

Members include:

The Principal
The Counselor
The Student with at least one parent/guardian
The Athletic Director
The Student Council President
All Middle/High School Coaches (excluding the coach (es) from the student-athlete's current

sport/activity) Guidelines:

1. The council shall meet within 5 days of receiving a written appeal.
2. The student making the appeal must be present.
3. All parties concerned will have the opportunity to present their cases.
4. The council's decision will be made known immediately.

Activities Available:

Baseball (High School Only)
Basketball
Cross Country
Football
Golf (High School Only)
Hockey (High School Only)
Soccer (High School Only)
Softball (High School Only)
Track
Volleyball



2019-2020 High School Athletic Eligibility Information Bulletin

To: Student-Athletes and Their Parents

From: Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association and _____

(School)

Your high school is a member of the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association. The following rules and regulations are developed by the member schools of the WIAA and govern the participation by boys and girls in school athletics and in some instances, impact upon sports activities outside the school.

This information bulletin is a **summary** of the WIAA OFFICIAL HANDBOOK as it pertains to those rules and regulations. Both student-athletes and their parents should have an understanding of these requirements. Equally important is that student-athletes and/or parents talk to their principal or athletic director if they have any question about these regulations. For additional information on Rules of Eligibility see the WIAA Handbook, or visit the WIAA website at www.wiaawi.org.

This bulletin does not discuss specific penalties for all violations. The reason is that penalties vary depending upon the nature of the violation. In addition, schools often have established penalties or periods of ineligibility, which are greater than the minimum prescribed by WIAA rules.

There also are exceptions and other permissive provisions in some rules. Student-athletes and their parents should discuss all athletic eligibility related situations with the school principal or athletic director who, if necessary, will get a decision, interpretation, or opinion from the WIAA office.

Student-athletes, as well as parents are asked to read this bulletin, and then sign it and have their signature statement (attached) on file at their school prior to practicing and competing.

These are WIAA eligibility rules, which are **current for the 2019-2020 school year**:

AGE

A student shall be ineligible for interscholastic competition if he/she reaches his/her 19th birthday before August 1 of any given school year.

ACADEMICS

A student-athlete must meet school and DPI requirements defining a full-time student and have received no more than one failing grade (including incompletes) in the most recent school issued grade reporting period. Note: Some member schools adopt code and academic policies and other participation requirements which are more stringent than WIAA minimum requirements. In those instances, the school's requirements prevail and must be applied as written.

ATTENDANCE

A student-athlete is eligible for interscholastic competition at a member school if he/she is carried on the attendance rolls as a duly enrolled full-time Grade 9, 10, 11 or 12 student in that member school. (Subject to satisfying all other eligibility requirements.)

Note: A full-time student is further defined as one where the member school is responsible for programming 100% of the student's school day. The student is eligible for like or similar awards, privileges and services as all the other students and meets all obligations and responsibilities as other students, without exception.

- A. A student must complete eligibility in the four consecutive years starting with Grade 9 and the three consecutive years starting with Grade 10, unless there are documented extenuating circumstances and a waiver has been provided.
- B. A student is ineligible if he/she has graduated from a school offering studies through Grade 12 or its equivalent.
- C. A student who graduated in May or June retains eligibility for (a) any portion of a spring athletic schedule not completed by the end of the academic year and (b) the school's summer athletic schedule.
- D. A student is ineligible if he/she has not been enrolled in some school by the 17th day of a semester or trimester, except upon request of a school in special cases involving sickness, accident, military service, social services assignment, e.g.
- E. A student-athlete may not participate in school sports in more than four different years, and a student-athlete may not participate in the same sport more than one season each school year.

DETERMINING RESIDENCE FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS

A full-time student, whether an adult or not, is eligible for varsity interscholastic competition only at the school within whose attendance boundaries his/her parents reside, within a given school district, with these additional provisions:

- A. Board of Education approved full-time student(s), paying their own tuition and residing full time with parents in their primary residence shall be afforded eligibility. Transfer students are subject to provisions outlined in the transfers section of this document and in the Senior High Handbook.
- B. The residence of a student's guardians shall determine eligibility in cases where both parents of a student are deceased. The execution of guardianship papers in situations where one or both parents are living does not by itself make a student eligible.
- C. In the event of a divorce or legal separation, whether pending or final, a student's residence at the beginning of the school year shall determine eligibility, except in situations involving transfer after the fourth consecutive semester following entry into grade 9. For the purpose of this rule, attendance at one day of school and/or attendance at one athletic practice shall determine 'beginning of school year.' Under this rule, a student who transfers after the beginning of the school year shall be ineligible at the new school unless approval is granted by the Board of Control in accordance with the transfer and/or waiver provisions as described in the WIAA HS Handbook.

- D. A student whose tuition is paid by the school within whose attendance boundaries parents reside or by the state and is enrolled in a district approved program may be eligible at either school (first priority to school of residence) but (a) may not participate at both schools in the same year and (b) academic ineligibility accompanies student upon transfer. Transfer restrictions may also apply.
- E. A student whose tuition is paid by the school within whose attendance boundaries parents reside or by the state or who is participating full time in a legislated open enrollment option must meet all statutory timeline requirements. This provision extends the opportunity to decline attendance at the new school and continue at his/her school of residence. If the student begins the school year at the new school and then transfers back to school of residence after attending one or more days of school or one or more athletic practices, he/she shall be subject to transfer provisions as outlined in the transfer Section of this document.
- F. A student may continue being eligible in the same school even though parent(s) and/or student move from within that school's attendance boundaries, provided enrollment is continuous (unbroken in that school).
- G. After a student-athlete has not participated and/or has had their eligibility restricted for one calendar year due to reasons relating to residence and/or transfer, he/she becomes eligible.
- H. A student-athlete will not be eligible if his/her attendance at a particular school resulted from undue influence (special consideration because of athletic ability) on the part of any person.
- I. A student-athlete who has been declared ineligible at a school for disciplinary reasons, academic reasons or due to another State Association's provision retains that ineligibility status if he/she transfers to another school.
- J. Except in situations involving transfer after a student's sixth consecutive semester, a full-time student whose residence in a given district and attendance at a member school does not conform with any of the provisions outlined above shall be eligible for nonvarsity competition only, for one calendar year, unless a waiver is provided as outlined in the WIAA HS Handbook under Waivers. Transfer students are subject to transfer provisions as outlined in the transfer section of this document and in the Senior High Handbook.

DETERMINING RESIDENCE FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS

A full-time student, whether an adult or not, is eligible for varsity interscholastic competition only if the student is residing full time with parents in their primary residence with these additional provisions:

- A. In the event of a divorce or legal separation, whether pending or final, a student's residence at the beginning of the school year shall determine eligibility except in situations involving transfer after a student's fourth consecutive semester. For the purpose of this rule, attendance at one day of school and/or attendance at one athletic practice shall determine 'beginning of school year'. Under this rule, a student who transfers after the beginning of the school year shall be ineligible at the new school unless approval is granted by the Board of Control in accordance with the waiver provisions as described in the WIAA HS Handbook under Waivers. Transfer restrictions may also apply.
- B. Residing full time with guardians shall determine eligibility in cases where both parents of a student are deceased. The execution of guardianship papers in situations where one or both parents are living does not by itself make a student eligible.
- C. A student may continue being eligible in the same school even though parent(s) and/or student move from within that school's traditional attendance area, provided enrollment is continuous (unbroken in that school).
- D. A student who has been in attendance in a nonpublic, self-contained school (i.e. grades K-12 or 7-12) for at least one complete school year prior to reaching Grade 9 and has not broken enrollment during that time is eligible in that nonpublic school upon entering Grade 9.
- E. Except in situations involving mid-year transfer and/or transfer after the fourth consecutive semester students attending member residential schools shall be eligible at the member school provided they reside at the school or reside full time with parents in their primary residence.
- F. Except in situations involving transfer after a student's sixth consecutive semester, a full-time student attending a nonpublic school but not residing in accordance with any of the provisions outlined above shall be eligible for nonvarsity competition only, for one calendar year, unless a waiver is provided as outlined in the WIAA HS Handbook under Waivers.

TRANSFERS

A full-time student may be afforded up to eight consecutive semesters of interscholastic eligibility upon entry into Grade 9. **Transferring schools at any time may result in restrictions being imposed on eligibility, or in some cases a denial of eligibility.** For the purpose of this rule, attendance at one day of school and/or attendance at one athletic practice shall determine 'beginning of school year.' These additional provisions relate to transfer cases:

- A. A student who transfers from any school into a member school after the sixth consecutive semester following entry into Grade 9 shall be ineligible for competition at any level for one calendar year, but may practice, unless the transfer is made necessary by a total and complete change in residence by parent(s). The calendar year (365 days) will be determined from a student's first day of attendance at the new school.
- B. Students entering 9th and/or 10th grade at the beginning of the school year and who are within the first four consecutive semesters of high school will be afforded unrestricted eligibility provided all other rules governing student eligibility are met.
- C. Students entering 11th grade are restricted to nonvarsity opportunities for one calendar year.
- D. Students entering 12th grade as transfer students are ineligible to compete at any level for one calendar year, but may practice.
- E. 9th grade students who transfer after the beginning of the school year and with written consent from both schools directly involved shall be restricted to nonvarsity opportunities for the remainder of the school year. Restrictions are removed upon entering 10th grade.
- F. 10th or 11th grade students who transfer after the beginning of the school year and with written consent from both schools directly involved shall be restricted to nonvarsity opportunities for one calendar year (365 days beginning with first day of attendance at the new school).
- G. In the event of divorce or legal separation, whether pending or final, residence at the beginning of the school year shall determine eligibility for students entering 9th and/or 10th grade. In situations involving transfer after the sixth consecutive semester following entry into grade 9 the student is ineligible to compete at any level for one calendar year, but may practice.

- H. District policies with respect to intra-district transfer do not supercede WIAA transfer rules in situations involving post-sixth semester transfers. Intra-district transfers occurring after the sixth consecutive semester following entry into grade 9 result in the student being ineligible for competition at any level for one calendar year (365 days beginning with first day of attendance at the new school), but may practice.
- I. Unless transfer, including an accompanying total and complete change of parents' residence, is effective at the outset of a semester, a student cannot establish eligibility at his/her new school until the fifth calendar day of such transfer.
- J. If within the first six consecutive semesters following entry into grade 9, a student who transfers more than once in any given school year shall be ineligible for all interscholastic competition for the remainder of that current school year and will be eligible for nonvarsity opportunities only for the balance of the calendar year. In situations involving transfer after the sixth consecutive semester following entry into grade 9 the student is ineligible to compete at any level for one calendar year, but may practice.
- K. A student may not have eligibility in more than one member school at the same time. A parent or parents who move from a primary residence within one school's attendance boundaries, to a secondary residence within another school's attendance boundaries, may be required by the Board of Control to provide evidence of a total and complete move.
- L. A student who transfers from any school, whether or not a member school, with a status of ineligibility for disciplinary reasons, academic reasons and/or as a result of another State Association's regulation or sanction, retains such status at his/her new school for the same period as decreed by the former school. A student who transfers due to expulsion or removal for disciplinary reason from the previous school is ineligible for the length of the expulsion as determined by the previous school's Board of Education.
- M. No eligibility will be granted for a student whose residence within a school's attendance boundaries, with or without parents, or whose attendance at a school has been the result of undue influence (special consideration due to athletic ability or potential) on the part of any person, whether or not connected with the school.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION and PARENT'S PERMISSION

A student-athlete whether an adult or not, must have written permission of parents to participate in school athletics, an emergency information form, and he/she must have a physical examination (signed by a licensed physician, physician's assistant or advanced practice nurse prescriber) every other school year.

A physical examination taken April 1 and thereafter is valid for the following two school years. Physical examination taken before April 1 is valid only for remainder of that school year and the following school year.

TRAINING and CONDUCT

A student-athlete must follow his/her school's code of conduct (training rules) on a year-round basis.

- A. A student-athlete who violates his/her school's code of conduct during the season of a sport (start of practice to final game) must be suspended from competition for a period of time specified in the code (minimum of one meet) if the violation involves (a) possession and/or use of alcohol, (b) possession and/or use of tobacco, including chewing tobacco and (c) use, possession, buying or selling of controlled substances, street drugs and performance enhancing substances (PES).
- B. The member school will determine minimum penalties for violation of any other provisions of its code of conduct, including out of season offenses and for any other unacceptable conduct contrary to the ideals, principals and standards of the school and this Association including but not limited to criminal behavior.
- C. Any student charged and/or convicted of a felony shall, upon the filing of felony charges, become ineligible for all further participation until the student has paid his/her debt to society and the courts consider the sentence served (including probation, community service, etc.).
- D. A student-athlete who violates his/her school's code of conduct at times other than during the actual season of a sport must be disciplined by the school, the nature of such discipline to be determined by the school as indicated in its code of conduct.
- E. A student-athlete who violates any part of the school or WIAA's code of conduct resulting in suspension for any portion of WIAA-sponsored tournament competition must be immediately declared ineligible for the remainder of tournament series in that sport. During the WIAA Tournament, an ineligible athlete may not suit up.
- F. A student-athlete, disqualified from a contest for flagrant or unsportsmanlike conduct, is also suspended from the next competitive event at the same level of competition as the disqualification.
- G. Any player who in the judgment of the official, intentionally spits on, strikes, slaps, kicks, pushes or aggressively physically contacts an official at any time shall be immediately ineligible for competition a minimum of 90 calendar days from the date of the confrontation. In addition, the player is ineligible to compete for the first 25% of the next season in that same sport.
- H. A school must provide an opportunity for the student to be heard prior to a penalty being enforced (except for felony charges). If a student appeals a suspension, according to the school's appeal procedure, the student is ineligible during the appeal process.
- I. Schools/individuals are prohibited during the regular season and the WIAA tournament series from practicing for regional, sectional, and state tournament preparation at sites and facilities hosting WIAA tournaments.

AMATEUR STATUS

A student-athlete must be an amateur in all recognized sports of this association in order to compete in any WIAA sport.

- A. A student-athlete may not accept, receive or direct to another, reimbursement in any form of salary, cash or share of game or season proceeds for athletic accomplishments, such as being on a winning team, being selected for the school varsity team, or being a place winner in an individual tournament, e.g.
- B. A student-athlete may receive: a medal, cup, trophy or plaque from the sponsoring organization regardless of cost; school mementos valued not more than \$200; an award valued not more than \$100 retail for participation in an athletic contest in a WIAA recognized sport; and may retain non-school competition apparel worn by the student as part of the team uniform.

- C. A student-athlete may not receive compensation or benefit, directly or indirectly, for the use of name, picture, and/or personal appearance, as an athlete because of ability, potential and/or performance as an athlete.
- D. A student-athlete may not receive free and/or reduced rates on equipment, apparel, camps/clinics/instruction and competitive opportunities that are not identical for any and all interested students.
- E. A student-athlete may not be identified (with or without permission) as an athlete, provide endorsement as an athlete or appear as an athlete in the promotion of a commercial/advertisement and/or profit-making event, item, plan, or service.
- F. A student-athlete may not participate in school athletics or in sports activities outside the school under a name other than his/her own name.

SPORTS ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL

Athletes may compete in not more than two non-school competitions with prior school approval during each regular sport season. The contest(s) will not count against the individual maximum for the athlete in that sport. Nonschool competition will not be allowed during the respective WIAA tournament series in a sport. Violation of this rule results in loss of eligibility for the remainder of the season (including the WIAA tournament series) and forfeiture of the two non-school opportunities.

- A. WIAA rules do not prevent athletes from practicing with nonschool teams or from receiving private skills instruction during the school season. However, they may not participate officially or unofficially (including "banditing") in more than two nonschool competitions or races, including scrimmages against other teams (with school approval).
 - (1) This restriction applies to normal nonschool games as well as "gimmicks," such as reduced numbers competition (3-on-3 basketball, 6 player soccer, e.g.), specific skill contests (punt, pass, and kick, shooting contests, free throws, 3 point, e.g.), fun runs, etc.
 - (2) During the season, athletes may participate in a skills contest with approval of the school. Specific skill contests (punt, pass, and kick, shooting contests e.g., free throws, 3 point, drive, chip and putt) isolate separate skills outside of the traditional competition setting. The skill contest may not include physical contact or extreme fatigue as the actual sport competition. Fun runs are not considered skills contests. There can be no school coach involvement. All other eligibility rules including amateur status apply.
 - (3) A student who was a member of a school team during the previous year may not delay reporting for the school team beyond the school's official opening day of practice in order to continue nonschool training and/or competition.
- B. During the school year before and/or after the school season of a sport and in the summertime, members of a school's team may voluntarily assemble with their teammates (without school and/or school coach involvement) at their own discretion.
- C. A student-athlete or his/her parents must pay 100% of the fee for specialized training or instruction such as camps, clinics, and similar programs.
- D. A student-athlete may not be instructed except during the school season of a sport and approved summer contact days by the person who will be his/her coach in that sport in the following school season. All sports except football are exempt from this rule, BUT only (a) during the summer months and (b) if the program involved is not limited to individuals who are likely to be candidates for the school team in that sport in the following season.
- E. A student-athlete must not participate in an all-star game or similar contest except for summertime activities (a) within the same league or program (e.g., softball game between divisions of same league) or (b) in which a team is selected to represent a league in post-season play (e.g., Babe Ruth league team). Some post-season all-star opportunities may be permitted for 12th graders who have completed high school eligibility in a particular sport. Check with your Athletic Director to be certain.
- F. Schools/individuals are prohibited during the regular season and the WIAA tournament series from practicing for regional, sectional, and state tournament preparation at sites and facilities hosting WIAA tournaments.

USE OF STUDENT IMAGE

The participation of student-athletes in school and WIAA tournaments may result in the use of student-athlete images in promotion of school and WIAA events.

In order to facilitate good communication, all questions regarding athletic participation at your school should be addressed to your athletic administrator.

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Detach and Return to Athletic Director

PARENT-ATHLETE RULES OF ELIGIBILITY SIGN-OFF FORM – 2019-2020

I certify that I have read, understand, and agree to abide by all of the information contained in this bulletin. I further certify that if I have not understood any information contained in this document, I have sought and received an explanation of the information prior to signing this statement.

School Name		
Parent/Guardian's Signature	Please Print Name	Date
Student-Athlete's Signature	Please Print Name	Date

This form must be completed and submitted to the Athletic Director prior to a student being declared eligible to practice and compete.

**IOLA-SCANDINAVIA ATHLETIC STUDENT/PARENT PARTICIPATION AND
PERMISSION AGREEMENT**

Student's Name: _____

This permission agreement must be signed annually by the parent and student athlete before the student can participate in an athletic program at Iola-Scandinavia School District. Signatures verify that all who sign have read and understand this Code and are willing to abide by the expectations of such. The signed agreement needs to be returned to the Athletic Director where it will be kept on file. Once the agreement has been signed and returned, the student may participate in athletic and interscholastic competition and will remain under the rules of the Code for their high school career.

As a **student** participant in athletic activities, I accept the school district policy regarding tobacco, alcohol, drugs or look-alikes (unless legally prescribed). I have read and understand the Athletic Code of the Iola-Scandinavia School District and agree to abide by all the rules and regulations set forth. I am aware of the inherent risk of injury present in all athletic activities. I realize that the risk may be severe, including serious physical injury and even death, which may occur during practice, contests, and/or transportation to and from those activities. I acknowledge that even with qualified coaching/supervision, the use of adequate protective equipment, and strict observance of rules, injuries are still a possibility.

Student Athlete Signature Date

As the **parent/guardian** of this student, I have read and understand the policies and rules set forth for participating in athletic activities in the School District of Iola-Scandinavia and give permission to my child to participate under these conditions listed within. My signature verifies that I will do my part to support the athletic code, assume responsibility for loss, misplacement, or damage to athletic equipment issued to or used by my child, and that I am aware of the inherent risk of injury presented in all athletic activities as previously listed.

I further grant permission for my child to be given immediate emergency care in case of injury as a result of participation in any athletic activity by an attending physician or first aid person should such assistance be required.

Parent/Guardian Signature Date

Father's Name _____ Contact # _____

Mother's Name _____ Contact # _____

Emergency Contact _____ Contact # _____

Physician _____ Contact # _____

Dentist _____ Contact # _____

Insurance Carrier _____

Policy No. & Address _____

Medical Concerns _____
