

Section:                   **INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM**

Procedure Title:       **Substance Abuse Program**

The possession, use, and/or selling of drugs and alcohol and paraphernalia are considered to be exceptional misconduct and therefore, the sanctions for violations under this regulation shall be cumulative from school year to school year: violations will be cumulative from grades K- 5, and for grades 6-12. Student discipline records indicating violations of the drug and alcohol policy will be shared among the middle schools and the high school.

A student shall not possess, use, or be under the influence of any narcotic drug(s), mood altering chemicals, alcoholic beverage, legend drugs, anabolic steroids, stimulants, hallucinogenic drug(s), amphetamines, barbiturates, marijuana, inhalants, caffeine pills, diet pills, sleeping pills, or any substance purported to be one of the above, or any substance, legal or illegal, that induces mood or behavior changes. A student shall not possess any paraphernalia (equipment, materials, or apparatus used for drug use). These restrictions apply during school time, on school property, during school-sponsored events, or while in transport under district supervision to or from school and/or any school-sponsored activity.

Also, violations for possession, use, transfer, transport, exchange, sale of, and/or being under the influence of legend drugs and anabolic steroids shall be reported to the new school of record when a student, grades 6-12, transfers from the district, under authorization of the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association Handbook, Rule 23.30 and RCW 69.41.020-69.41.050. Sanctions for possession, use, and/or sale of narcotic drug, mood altering chemical, alcoholic beverage, legend drug, anabolic steroid, stimulant, hallucinogenic drug, amphetamine, barbiturate, marijuana, caffeine pill, diet pill, sleeping pill, or any substance purported to be one of the above or any paraphernalia associated with the use of illicit drugs by students participating in WIAA activities/athletics is cumulative from grades 6-12.

The use of medication, prescribed for an individual student and used exclusively by the same student in accordance with the specific directions of the student's licensed medical practitioner, shall not be considered a violation of this regulation.

Students found in violation of this regulation shall be afforded due process and have the right of appeal to the Board of Directors.

Under this regulation, the parent(s), guardian(s) and/or students are responsible for any and all costs incurred for student assessments and any recommended treatment in which the student participates. Students whose families meet the district's income eligibility

guidelines may be eligible for fee reductions for assessment and treatment through the contracting agencies.

**A. Possession or Use of Alcohol and/or Illegal Drugs And/Or Drug Paraphernalia**

**Grades K-5**

**First Offense**

The student will be placed on a short term suspension for seven (7) school days. The suspension will be imposed in the following manner:

The student will serve the first two (2) days of the suspension if;

1. The student participates in a screening conducted by a qualified dependency counselor as defined by WAC 440-22-010; and
2. The parent(s)/ guardian(s) sign a consent for an exchange of information between the qualified dependency counselor and the Kelso School District; and
3. The students and parent(s)/ guardian(s) meet with the principal (or designee) to discuss the results of the assessment and\_ to discuss conditions for re-entry into the school at the conclusion of the suspension.
4. The student follows the conditions set forth during the re-entry conference. Failure to follow these conditions will result in the student serving the remaining suspension days.

**Second Offense**

The student will be placed on short-term suspension for ten (10) school days.

The suspension will be imposed in the following manner:

The student will serve the first five (5) days of the suspension if:

1. The student participates in a screening conducted by a qualified dependency counselor as defined by WAC 440-22-010; and
2. The parent(s)/ guardian(s) sign a consent for an exchange of information between the qualified dependency counselor and the Kelso School District; and

3. The students and parent(s)/ guardian(s) meet with the principal (or designee) to discuss the results of the assessment and to discuss conditions for re-entry into the school at the conclusion of the suspension; and
4. The student follows the conditions set forth during the re-entry conference. Failure to follow these conditions will result in the student serving the remaining suspension days.

Note: If second offense occurs in the same school year as first offense, the student will be found in violation of re-entry conditions and will need to serve the remaining days of previous suspension before serving any of the new discipline.

### **Third Offense**

The student will be expelled from Kelso School District.

To be considered for re-entry to the Kelso School District, the student must complete a formal assessment conducted by a qualified dependency counselor, as defined by WAC 440-22-010, sign a consent for exchange of information form, and then meet with the Principal (or designee) to determine conditions for re-entry into the Kelso School District.

## **Grades 6-12**

### **First Offense**

The student will be placed on long-term suspension for twenty (20) school days.

The suspension will be imposed in the following manner:

The student will serve the first five (5) days of the suspension if:

1. The student participates in a screening conducted by a qualified dependency counselor as defined by WAC 440-22-010; and
2. The parent(s)/ guardian(s) sign a consent for an exchange of information between the qualified dependency counselor and the Kelso School District; and
3. The students and parent(s)/ guardian(s) meet with the principal (or designee) to discuss the results of the assessment and to discuss conditions for re-entry into the school at the conclusion of the suspension.

4. The student follows the conditions set forth during the re-entry conference. Failure to follow these conditions will result in the student serving the remaining suspension days.

**Second Offense**

The student will be placed on long-term suspension for the remainder of the semester or forty five (45) school days, whichever is longer.

The suspension will be imposed in the following manner:

The student will serve the first ten (10) days of the suspension if:

1. The student participates in a screening conducted by a qualified dependency counselor as defined by WAC 440-22-010; and
2. The parent(s)/guardian(s) sign a consent for an exchange of information between the qualified dependency counselor and the Kelso School District; and
3. The students and parent(s)/guardian(s) meet with the principal (or designee) to discuss the results of the assessment and to discuss conditions for re-entry into the school at the conclusion of the suspension; and
4. The student follows the conditions set forth during the re-entry conference. Failure to follow these conditions will result in the student serving the remaining suspension days.

Note: If second offense occurs in the same school year as first offense, the student will be found in violation of re-entry conditions and will need to serve the remaining days of previous suspension before serving any of the new discipline.

**Third Offense**

The student will be expelled from Kelso School District.

To be considered for re-entry to the Kelso School District, the student must complete a formal assessment conducted by a qualified dependency counselor, as defined by, WAC 440-22-010 sign a consent for exchange of information form, and then meet with the principal (or designee) to determine conditions for re-entry into the Kelso School District.

**B. Selling or Distributing Alcohol and/or Illegal Drugs and/or Drug Paraphernalia or Substances Represented as Such**

**Grades K-5**

**First Offense**

The student will be placed on short-term suspension for ten (10) days. The suspension will be imposed in the following manner: the student will serve the first five (5) days of the suspension if:

1. The student participates in a screening conducted by a qualified dependency counselor as defined by WAC 440-22-010; and
2. The parent(s)/ guardian(s) sign a consent for an exchange of information between the qualified dependency counselor and the Kelso School District; and
3. The students and parent(s)/ guardian(s) meet with the principal (or designee) to discuss the results of the assessment and to discuss conditions for re-entry into the school at the conclusion of the suspension
4. The student follows the conditions set forth during the re-entry conference. Failure to follow these conditions will result in the student serving the remaining suspension days.

**Second Offense**

The student will be expelled from Kelso School District. To be considered for re-entry to the Kelso School District, the student must complete a formal assessment conducted by a qualified dependency counselor, as defined by, WAC 440-22-010 sign a consent for exchange of information form, and then meet with the principal (or designee) to determine conditions for re-entry into the Kelso School District.

**Grades 6-12**

**First Offense**

The student will be placed on long-term suspension for a minimum of twenty (20) days, or up to and including expulsion. Upon the discretion of the administrator, the student suspended for twenty (20) days may be eligible to serve the first ten (10) days of the suspension if:

1. The student participates in a screening conducted by a qualified dependency counselor as defined by WAC 440-22-010; and

2. The parent(s)/guardian(s) sign a consent for an exchange of information between the qualified dependency counselor and the Kelso School District; and
3. The students and parent(s)/guardian(s) meet with the principal (or designee) to discuss the results of the assessment and to discuss conditions for re-entry into the school at the conclusion of the suspension
4. The student follows the conditions set forth during the re-entry conference. Failure to follow these conditions will result in the student serving the remaining suspension days.

**Second Offense**

The student will be expelled from Kelso School District. To be considered for re-entry to the Kelso School District, the student must complete a formal assessment conducted by a qualified dependency counselor, as defined by, WAC 440-22-010 sign a consent for exchange of information form, and then meet with the principal (or designee) to determine conditions for re-entry into the Kelso School District.

**C. Solicitation of Alcohol, Drugs or Paraphernalia**

**Grades K-12**

**First Offense**

The student will be placed on short-term suspension for five days. The suspension will be imposed in the following manner: the student's suspension will be reduced to zero days but held in abeyance, providing the student participates and completes the following:

1. The student participates in a screening conducted by a qualified dependency counselor as defined in WAC 440-22-010; and
2. The parent(s)/guardian(s) sign a consent for an exchange of information between the qualified dependency counselor and the Kelso School District; and
3. The students and parent(s)/guardian(s) meet with the principal (or designee) to discuss the results of the assessment and to discuss conditions for re-entry into the school at the conclusion of the suspension; and
4. The student follows the conditions set forth during the re-entry conference. Failure to follow these conditions will result in the student serving the remaining suspension days.

**Second and Subsequent Offenses**

Discipline will follow the sanctions listed under Section A, Possession or Use of Alcohol and/or Illegal Drugs and/or Paraphernalia, beginning with First Offense.

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