GREENFIELD R-IV SCHOOLS Junior/Senior High School



2023- 2024 Athletic/Activity Handbook

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Greenfield R-IV Schools Mission Statement

Greenfield R-IV School District's Mission is to strengthen students through academic excellence, positive influence, and community partnership.

This handbook will be used as a foundation to promote responsible behavior on the part of each student at Greenfield Junior/Senior High School. The purpose of this handbook is to ensure a safe and orderly environment for learning, provide a clear statement of the district's expectations for its students, and outline possible consequences when deviations occur.

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ATHLETIC PARTICIPANT CONDUCT CODE

Greenfield students participating in athletic events are required to follow a conduct code. Violations below are based upon competitive seasons.

- Disciplinary violations determined to be major in nature (in school or out of school suspension) will be dealt with in the following manner: First offense—1 game suspension Second offense—3 game suspension Third offense—Dismissal from the team
- 2. Unsportsmanlike conduct during practice or games will not be tolerated. All unsportsmanlike acts that lead to a student's ejection from a contest will result in a minimum of the student being suspended from the next contest. All other unsportsmanlike acts will be addressed on a case by case basis.

If a student has ISS/OSS they are suspended from athletics/activities from the start of the suspension until the student has been in attendance for a full day.

ATHLETIC PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

Students are encouraged to participate in the Greenfield R-IV Athletic Program. The following objectives are areas that will be stressed:

- 1. Participation- Students are asked to give many hours of their time toward an athletic program. Students are provided a variety of opportunities that will help them learn teamwork, better their individual skills, and learn life-long lessons in each sport.
- 2. Skills and Rules- Coaches will provide emphasis in development of fundamental skills and knowledge of each sport.
- 3. Citizenship and Sportsmanship- Allow students to achieve success fairly by demonstrating and teaching. Students and parents are expected to sign the Citizenship Policy; see page 47 at the back of this handbook for an explanation of the policy.
 - i. Respect for the rules of each sport
 - ii. Desirable traits of citizenship and sportsmanship
 - iii. Student Confidence- Provide a program which develops students' sense of appreciation and enjoyment of extracurricular activity, while building individual self-confidence and group rapport.

ATTENDANCE

School

Students must be in attendance on the day of the activity or the day before the activity if the activity falls on a weekend or Monday in order to participate in the event. To be in attendance, a student must be in school all seven hours including lunch with the exception of doctor or dentist appointments, funerals, court or other absences pre-approved by school administration. In this case, students must attend at least four class periods in order to participate. Students that leave school during the day or that are assigned to ISS are not eligible to participate in any extracurricular activities. Students who are serving OSS may not be on school property until the suspension has been served.

Practice and Contests

Attendance at all practice sessions and contests are mandatory. If a student will be absent or tardy, they must personally speak to the coach/sponsor prior to missing practice or competition. Participants are not permitted to leave early without prior approval from the coach. If a student attends school, they are expected to attend practice. Going home due to illness will disqualify a student for that day's practice/contest. All coaches will have their own team policies that outline procedures to be followed in the event of missed practices and contests.

BUS CONDUCT

Students riding to and/or from athletic/activity events using school provided transportation including but not limited to, buses, school owned passenger vehicles, and chartered vehicles, must follow all applicable bus conduct rules listed in the student handbook.

- 1. All students riding buses are under the supervision of the driver and/or coach/sponsor. Students must obey the driver promptly, without resistance..
- 2. Unnecessary conversation with the driver is prohibited.

- 3. Outside of ordinary conversation, classroom conduct is to be observed. The driver is required to report rowdy conduct or improper language.
- 4. Students must not throw paper or other trash on the floor of the bus.
- 5. Students must not at any time extend arms or heads out of the bus window.
- 6. Students must take their places upon entering the bus and under no circumstances will they move about the bus while it is in motion.
- 7. Any damage to the bus is to be reported at once to the driver.
- 8. When leaving the bus, students must observe any directions given by the driver.
- 9. Students will not be permitted to board or leave the bus at any point except their home or approved location.
- 10. Students are not to sit in the driver's seat or tamper with the bus in any way.

COMMUNICATION PROCESS

Communication between parents, coaches, and students is beneficial for logistics, conflict resolution, and maintaining positive relationships. When your son/daughter joins our programs, you have the right to understand the expectations placed on them. We will work to establish clear goals and expectations for all involved in our programs.

Communication Parents Should Expect from a Coach/Sponsor

- 1. Expectations and roles the coach has for their child
- 2. Location and time for all practices and contests
- 3. Team requirements practices, equipment, out of season conditioning
- 4. Procedure should your child be injured during participation
- 5. Discipline that results in the denial of your child's participation
- 6. Requirements to earn a letter at the end of the year

Communication Coaches Expect from Parents

- 1. Concerns expressed directly to the head coach
- 2. Notification of any schedule conflicts well in advance
- 3. Specific concerns with any expectation

24 Hour Rule

No meetings between parents and coaches will be conducted immediately following an event. This includes contacting the coach or sponsor via text message or social media. To schedule a meeting, a parent/guardian shall contact the coach or sponsor by using the school's communication system. This can be done through phone or email the day following a contest.

A parent/guardian who chooses to confront a coach immediately following a contest or without first allowing 24 hours to pass the shall be addressed as follows:

- First offense Parent/guardian will be required to meet with the athletic director before attending any Greenfield R-IV activities.
- Second offense Parent/guardian may be prohibited from attending all Greenfield R-IV activities for a period of two weeks (14 days) following the confrontation.
- Subsequent offenses Parent/guardian may be prohibited from attending all Greenfield R-IV activities for up to 30 days.

Please use the process outlined below as a guide to address concerns should the need arise during the sports season. This will ensure communication that will benefit all parties involved.

Step 1: Athlete discusses the situation with the coach

Step 2: Parent discusses the situation with the coach

Step 3: Parent discusses the situation with the athletic director

Step 4: Parent discusses the situation with the building principal

Step 5: Parent discusses the situation with the superintendent

Appropriate Concerns to Discuss with Coaches

- 1. The treatment of your child mentally and physically
- 2. Ways to help your child improve
- 3. Concerns about your child's behavior

Issues NOT Appropriate to Discuss with Coaches

- 1. Other student-athletes/participants
- 2. Playing Time
- 3. Team Strategy
- 4. Coaching Philosophy
- 5. Play calling

CONCUSSIONS/HEAD INJURIES

A concussion is a traumatic brain injury that interferes with the normal function of the brain. Concussions were previously referred to as a "ding" or a "bell-ringer" but this undermines the seriousness of the problem. Any suspected concussion must be taken very seriously. An athlete does not need to lose consciousness (be "knocked-out") to suffer a concussion. In fact, less than 5% of concussed athletes suffer a loss of consciousness.

Parents and coaches should not make the diagnosis of a concussion. Any athlete suspected of having a concussion should be evaluated by a medical professional trained in the diagnosis and management of concussions.

After suffering a concussion no player shall return to play the day of a concussion, and the athlete must be cleared by an appropriate health-care professional before being allowed to return to play in either games or practices.

Once an athlete no longer has symptoms of a concussion AND is cleared by an appropriate health-care professional to begin a return to play progression, the athlete must proceed with activity in a step-wise fashion in a carefully controlled and monitored environment to allow the brain and body to re-adjust to exertion.

CONDUCT IN GENERAL

Students participating in school sponsored athletics/activities are representatives of the Greenfield R-IV school district and should conduct themselves as such. ANY conduct which distracts or disrupts the educational climate and mission of the school is not acceptable and will not be tolerated. Our students are expected to demonstrate dignity, respect, and courtesy while attending school or school-sponsored activities. Misconduct will not be tolerated. Students who violate this rule will face disciplinary action deemed appropriate by the building principal.

DEAD PERIODS

Summer Dead Period (All sports/activities)

1. The Greenfield R-IV school district will establish a summertime dead period for all MSHSAA-sponsored activities. This dead period will be communicated to students by coaches/sponsors. The dead period shall be nine consecutive days in length, and must begin on Saturday and last through the following Sunday. The dead period is "no school activities time", no open gyms, competitions, practices, conditioning, weight training; no activity-related fundraisers or functions, camps or clinics at school facilities or sponsored elsewhere by the school; no coaches or students may have planned contact other than casual, normal community, non-activity contact. The school dead period must be the same for all sports. While there may be sports activities during this time, they must not involve the school coach, the school, or school facilities.

Sports Dead Weeks (Sport specific)

2. The seven days prior to the first allowable practice date for the season shall be a seasonable no contact period in which no "contact" takes place between school coaches/directors of MSHSAA-sponsored activities and students enrolled in the member school, or who will be enrolled in the member school during the upcoming school year. Athletes shall not attend any specialized sports camp involving an upcoming sport. (Fall, Winter, and Spring)

DETENTION

Junior High and High School students' assigned morning detention(s) shall retain their athletic eligibility provided they are eligible in all other respects. However, the coach/sponsor of any student listed on the eligibility hoster of a school sponsored sport/activity who is assigned detention shall be notified of any detention assigned and may face additional consequences per the established rules of the sport/activity.

DRESS CODE

Students are expected to display personal cleanliness, neatness, and appropriateness of attire at all times and at all school-sponsored activities. Travel attire will be set by each coach/sponsor and will be communicated at the beginning of each season.

DRUG TESTING POLICY

Greenfield R-IV does require students and parents to sign a drug testing policy allowing for students to participate in random drug testing. A student who does not sign the policy, or whose parents did not sign the policy participate in any Missouri State High School Activities Association (MSHSAA) sanctioned activities. Refer to page 15 of this handbook to review the policy. A drug testing form will be handed out the first day of school; this needs to be signed and returned by the end of the first full week of school. A drug dog will enter the school at random times throughout the school year for random searches.

DUAL SPORTS

Greenfield R-IV encourages athletes to participate in multiple sports. For athletes that desire to participate in two sports in the same season (fall, winter, or spring), school administration and coaches will work together to make reasonable accommodations to ensure that the athlete can properly represent both teams.

In the event of scheduling conflicts, the following standards shall be followed unless exempted by the agreement of the athlete and both coaches or by the athletic director.

- Contests shall have precedence over practices
- Postseason competition shall have precedence over regular season competition

DUE PROCESS

Students shall have the opportunity to express their side of any incident in which they may be involved. If the athlete is dissatisfied with any decision, they have the right to appeal through the following channels:

- 1. Head Coach (An administrator may be present.)
- 2. Athletic Director
- 3. Building Principal
- 4. Superintendent
- 5. Board of Education

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible to participate in any extra-curricular activity/co-curricular organization, students must meet the following guidelines (see MSHSAA policy starting on page 10):

- 1. The student must be enrolled and attending Greenfield R-IV Schools before he/she becomes eligible to participate in extra-curricular activities.
- 2. Any student who participates in extra-curricular and co-curricular activities must have passed 6 of 7 classes the preceding semester (3.0 units of credit).
- 3. Students cannot have failing grades. Grades will be checked on a bi-monthly basis beginning on the third Tuesday of each quarter. If the student has a 59 percent or below in any class he/she will be determined ineligible. If this is the first academic ineligibility for the student, for the quarter, they will be placed on probation until the next grade check. At that time the student will be eligible to participate in all extra and co-curricular events. The students will also attend mandated tutoring from 7:30-8:00 am until they have a passing grade(s) from the failed class(es). At the next grade check if a student still has a 59 percent or lower they will be deemed ineligible and not be able to participate in any extra or co-curricular events, excluding practices, until all "F's" are moved to passing grade(s) per the next grade check. Students will have mandated tutoring until all grades are moved from a failing grade to a passing grade.

Students who do not comply with mandated tutoring times will automatically be placed on the academic ineligibility list and forfeit the probation weeks if on probation. Grade checks will only take place on Tuesday. Students must have work turned in by previous Friday at the end of the school day before the next grade check.

- 4. Students must meet all applicable requirements of the MSHSAA (if the activity is a MSHSAA sponsored activity).
- 5. Students must attend a minimum of four entire class periods on the day of a scheduled school-sponsored contest or event. Students with an unverified absence or who are truant will not be permitted to participate in extracurricular contests or events including practice. Half-day absences must be approved by administration.
- 6. Students must adhere to all school rules and policies while participating in extra-curricular and co-curricular activities.
- 7. Students must display a positive attitude and excellent citizenship/sportsmanship at all times while participating in extra-curricular and co-curricular activities.
- 8. Students must attend school on a regular basis. Coaches and activity sponsors will routinely check the academic and citizenship status of their students throughout the school year and especially during the scheduled season of competition.
- 9. Coaches and sponsors of extra-curricular and co-curricular events may have additional requirements for participation and/or continued participation.

GAME ADMISSION

Regular season home games

- Adults 62 and older and children 5 and younger will be admitted free of charge.
- Full-time faculty and members of the Board of Education will be admitted free of charge.
- All workers for the contest, concession stand workers, scorekeepers, etc., are admitted free.
- Any student who leaves an extracurricular activity or event will not be permitted to return unless the student has received prior administrative approval to do so.

Postseason

• All postseason admission fees, including those hosted by Greenfield R-IV, will be set by MSHSAA.

HAZING

Student hazing is expressly prohibited. Hazing is defined as any activity, on or off school grounds, that a reasonable person believes would negatively impact the mental or physical health or safety of a student or put the student in a ridiculous, humiliating, stressful or disconcerting position for the purposes of initiation, affiliation, admission, membership or maintenance of membership in any group, class, organization, club or athletic team including, but not limited to, a grade level, student organization or district-sponsored activity. Students participating in or encouraging inappropriate conduct will be disciplined in accordance with board policy. Such discipline may include, but is not limited to, suspension or expulsion from school and removal from participation in activities.

INJURIES

All injuries sustained by students participating in a sport should be reported to the coaching staff whether sustained while participating in or outside of the sport.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

Acts by a student for which charges may be or have been filed by law enforcement authorities should be reported to your principal or athletic director immediately. A student's eligibility may be affected if charges are filed or may be filed as described in MSHSAA By-Law 2.2.2.

LETTERING REQUIREMENTS

- All eligibility requirements of the Missouri State High School Activities Association and the Greenfield R-IV School District must be met for an athlete to be considered eligible for consideration for an athletic letter.
- 2. The Greenfield R-IV coaching staff for each individual sport will determine lettering requirements for his/her sport. Information regarding all lettering requirements are on file in the office of the athletic

director and the High School Principal's office. If you have questions or concerns, contact these individuals, beginning with the director of athletics.

SPORTSMANSHIP

Greenfield Junior/Senior High School values good sportsmanship and spirited support for our school. We support the Missouri State High School Activity Association (MSHSAA) mission, which "promotes the value of participation, sportsmanship, team play, and personal excellence to develop citizens who make positive contributions to their community and support democratic principles of our state and nation." We expect our players, coaches, students, parents, and fans to display high standards of dignity and respect at all activities. Student conduct must be in accordance with the rules and expectations outlined in the Student/Parent Handbook. It is our goal that everyone will maintain pride in self and school. Offensive and embarrassing behavior will not be tolerated. Violators of good sportsmanship will be subject to loss of school citizenship and consequences outlined on page 14 of this handbook.

TOBACCO/TOBACCO RELATED SUBSTANCES

Any use of tobacco or tobacco related substances is strictly prohibited. All "snuff," "dip," "chew," and similar substances will be treated as tobacco, regardless of chemical composition, and is prohibited. Additionally, to maintain the objective of a healthy lifestyle both in demonstration and in practice, electronic cigarettes and any similar vapor device is also prohibited.

Any student found in possession or using tobacco or tobacco related products while in season will be subject to a seven (7) calendar day suspension from any sports/activities. A second violation of these standards during a season will result in the removal from that activity.

TRANSPORTATION

It is the intent of our school district to provide adequate transportation for all students participating in school-sponsored activities. Students are **REQUIRED** to utilize the transportation provided by the school district to all activities. Riding home with a parent/guardian will be left up to individual coaches/sponsors. If the sponsor or coach allows a student athlete to ride home with their parents/guardians there must be written parental permission followed up with a phone conversation with the coach or sponsor. The parent must personally contact the coach or sponsor and sign out his/her child if the child will not be riding the bus back to school after the event. In the event that a student misbehaves while attending a school-sponsored activity, parents will be contacted and expected to provide transportation home for their child.

UNIFORMS/EQUIPMENT

Students are responsible for returning all uniforms and equipment issued to them during their sports season. The student will be financially responsible for any lost equipment. All uniforms and equipment must be turned in to the coach/sponsor at the conclusion of the season and should **NOT** be given to anyone else to be turned in. (Do not give uniforms/equipment to other students or office staff to turn in.)

UNSPORTSMANLIKE ACTS

Unsportsmanlike acts during a contest resulting in ejection of an athlete shall result in the athlete being restricted from representing the school for at least the next contest. An athlete who commits such an act, but is not ejected may also be subject to suspension. Each case of this type shall be reviewed by the head coach, the athletic director, and the principal, before a final decision is made.

MSHSAA Student Eligibility Requirements

The following are rules and regulations for participation in extracurricular activities set forth by Greenfield R-IV and MSHSAA (Missouri State High School Activities Association).

Introduction

Every year, over 300,000 students in the state of Missouri participate in interscholastic activities at the middle/junior and senior-high levels. The Missouri State High School Activities Association is composed of member schools that establish eligibility criteria for students such as yourself to be able to participate. Look at these rules carefully. We want you to enjoy these years, maximize your interscholastic experiences and rekindle the spirit of citizenship in your own community.

Your years in high school and middle level/junior high school will be highlighted by your participation on one of your school's athletic teams. These will be some of the most enjoyable years of your life. During this time, your school will have local school requirements that you must comply with in order to be eligible to compete. Also, your state association - the MSHSAA - has essential eligibility requirements that you must meet in order to maintain your eligibility.

Information contained in this pamphlet will acquaint you with the major rules and regulations you must follow in order to maintain and protect your high school eligibility. Any questions you have concerning these essential requirements or with your athletic eligibility should be checked with your school principal or athletic administrator. These administrators in your school have copies of all MSHSAA eligibility requirements. The MSHSAA's eligibility requirements have been voted on by member schools and were adopted by your school when it became an association member. If there are rules in the pamphlet which you don't understand, ask your principal or athletic administrator to explain them.

Knowing and following all these requirements will enable you to maintain and protect your eligibility. Also, it is important for you to know that you must meet all the essential requirements in order to be eligible, as no one requirement is more important than another.

Requirements

1. Bona Fide Student

• In order to represent your school, you must be a bona fide student and meet all eligibility requirements. You must be enrolled in and regularly attend classes at the member school and meet the academic requirements in MSHSAA By-Law 2.3.2 and those of your local school.

2. Citizenship

- You must be a creditable citizen. Creditable citizens are those students whose conduct both in school and out of school will not reflect discredit upon themselves or their school.
- NOTE: Conduct by the student involving law enforcement should be reported to your principal or athletic director immediately as your conduct may affect eligibility or contest outcomes.

3. Academics

Grades 9-12

- You must have earned, the preceding semester of attendance, a minimum of 3.0 units of credit or have earned credit in 80% of the maximum allowable classes in which any student can be enrolled in the semester, whichever is greater, at your school.
- For your current semester, you must be enrolled in and regularly attending courses that offer 3.0 units of credit or 80% of the maximum allowable credits which may be earned, whichever is greater, for your school.
- Credits earned or completed after the close of the semester will not fulfill this requirement. Summer high school courses for academic eligibility may count provided the course is necessary for graduation or promotion (no electives), and it is placed on the school transcript. No more than one credit in summer school shall be counted toward eligibility. Correspondence courses do not count.
- Students promoted for the first time into 7th or 9th grade are considered academically eligible for the first semester after promotion.

- You must be making satisfactory progress toward graduation as determined by your local school's policies.
- Do not drop courses without first consulting with your school principal, athletic administrator or counselor to determine whether it will affect your eligibility.

Grades 7-8

- You must be enrolled in a normal course load for your grade at the member school.
- You must have been promoted to a higher grade prior to the first day of classes for the new school year. However, even though you may have been promoted, you will be ineligible if you failed more than two courses the previous semester.

Homeschool

 Greenfield R-IV School's guidelines for 7-12th grade Non-Traditional students (as defined by the official MSHSAA Handbook) who desire eligibility to participate in MSHSAA activities and athletics will meet the following guidelines/criteria:

Non-Traditional Option 2 (Public Schools Only) – Seat-Time + Non-Transcripted Credits:

- A student may meet the requirements outlined in By-Law 2.3.2 through meeting ALL of the following:
- 1. The student is an enrolled student of the public high school of residence, as defined in By-Law 3.10, and is taking a minimum of two credit-bearing, seat-time classes for a minimum of 1.0 units of credit at the high school, and
- 2. The high school administration confirms after a full academic review that the student is further enrolled in courses taken outside of the school which bring the student up to the academic credit requirements outlined in By-Law 2.3.2 (80%). Each local school will determine its own oversight, standards, and criteria for approval of such outside courses/credits, as well as the procedures to determine success/credit confirmation for academic eligibility for the current and following semester. It is not necessary that such confirmed credits be placed on the high school transcript, but may be listed, at the school's discretion.
- 3. All classes/assignments must be completed by the high school's close of the semester, as per By-Law 2.3.11, in order for those classes/credits to be considered toward activity eligibility.

4. Residence Requirements

• A student may be eligible at the public or nonpublic school located in the district in which the student's parents (as defined in By-Law 3.10.1.a) reside. In case of a public multiple-school district, a student may be eligible at the school designated for the student to attend by the board of education (open enrollment does not count toward meeting the "designated school to attend.")

5. Transferring Schools

- If you transfer schools, you will be ineligible for 365 days unless you meet one of the exceptions listed in the MSHSAA Transfer of Enrollment Requirements (By-Law 3.10.4). Make an appointment with the school's athletic administration to review these exceptions.
- If you move with your parents to your new school district, you will be eligible at your new school provided you were eligible in all other respects at your former school. A student shall not be eligible to represent two different schools in the MSHSAA state tournament series in the same sport during the same season.
- You and your parents must move to the new residence at the same time.
- Always check with your school principal before you transfer to determine whether it will affect your eligibility.
- Discipline follows the student to the new school.
- A transfer student must be eligible in all respects at the school from which he or she is transferring to be eligible at the school to which he or she is transferring. If a student transfers schools with the status of ineligible for disciplinary reasons, the student shall retain such status at the new school for the same period as decreed by the former school.
- A student may be eligible immediately at the school of his or her choice upon first entering when the student is promoted from the eighth grade into the ninth grade, provided the student is eligible in all other respects.

6. Participation Limits

Grades 9-12

- You are eligible to participate in any sport for a maximum of four seasons. Any part of a contest played during a season counts as a season of participation.
- Your eligibility to participate in high school activities begins when you first enter the ninth grade and lasts for the next eight consecutive semesters (four consecutive years).
- Grades 7-8
- You are eligible for only your first two semesters of attendance in the seventh grade and for only your first two semesters in the eighth grade.
- You are not eligible to compete with or against students enrolled in the ninth grade or above when you are enrolled in either the seventh or eighth grade.
- NOTE: Check with your school principal or athletic director for exceptions to this rule if you are ineligible because of age.

7. Entering School

• You must enter school within the first 11 days of the semester in order to be eligible.

8. Amateur and Awards Standards

- After entering a member school, you will become ineligible in the sport concerned if you receive cash or services for participating in an athletic contest or being an athlete. This restriction applies to all sports in which MSHSAA member schools conduct interscholastic programs. (Merchandise received shall not exceed \$250 manufacturer's suggested retail price.)
- You may accept awards which are symbolic in nature, such as medals, ribbons, trophies, plaques, etc. for participating in a school athletic program.
- You may accept awards which are merchandise and the value of such award shall not exceed a \$250 manufacturer's suggested retail price.
- Awards of cash, gift-certificates or equivalents may not be accepted at all.
- Awards as described above presented by a person or group other than your school, must be approved in advance by your school principal and the suggested manufacturer retail price of a merchandise award shall not exceed \$250.
- You may accept awards for participating in non school sponsored athletic competition only if the awards are symbolic in nature or the merchandise item does not exceed \$250 in suggested retail value. (See above)
- Commemorative jewelry may be presented by the school (i.e. championship ring or necklace).

9. Age Limits

Grades 9-12

- If you reach 19 years of age prior to July 1, you will be ineligible the next school year.
- Over-aged eighth graders should be moved up to the senior high team to have eight semesters of eligibility.

Grades 7-8

- In order to participate on or against teams made up of only seventh-graders, you must not have reached 14 years of age prior to July 1 preceding the opening of school.
- In order to participate on or against teams made up of only eighth-graders, you must not have reached 15 years of age prior to July 1 preceding the opening of school.
- In order to participate on or against teams made up of only ninth-graders, you must not have reached 16 years of age prior to July 1 preceding the opening of school.
- However, you may participate with the next higher grade when you no longer meet the age limit for your grade.

NOTE: Check with your school principal for options available to you if you are ineligible for your grade level because of age.

10. Playing Under A False Name

• If you compete under an assumed or false name, you immediately become ineligible for up to 365 days.

11. Graduated Students

• You will be ineligible to participate after graduation from a senior high school. Students who are granted an early release after their junior year are ineligible for further participation. (NOTE: You are eligible to participate in state-level events which extend beyond the date of your school's graduation at the end of the spring semester of your senior year.)

12. Non-school Competition

- You may not practice for or participate with a non-school team or in any organized non-school athletic competition and for your school team in the same sport during the same season of the school team. Swimming and diving, XC, Golf, Tennis, Track, and Wrestling have a special exception. Contact your school's athletic director for specific details.
- You may participate on a school team and a non-school team in different sports during the same season; however, you may not practice for the non-school team or participate in organized non-school athletic competition on the same day that you practice with or participate for the school team without prior approval of your school administrator.
- You must receive approval in advance from your school principal in order to miss school time to practice for, travel to or compete in organized non-school athletic competition.
- You will become ineligible in any sport in which you play as a member of a junior college, college or university team.
- You may participate in international competition during the school year, however, the competition must meet the established criteria published in the MSHSAA Official Handbook and must be approved in advance by the MSHSAA Board of Directors.
- Before you join a non-school team or enter any non-school competitive athletic event, your school principal or athletic administrator should be consulted to make certain these standards are met.

13. College Auditions and Tryouts

- You may participate in a college tryout, audition or evaluation event for a specific sport outside the school season of the sport concerned (MSHSAA By-Law 3.11.1 p.69).
- You may not miss school time to travel or participate in the event unless your absence is approved in advance by the school administrator.
- You may not miss an MSHSAA-sponsored postseason athletic event to participate in or travel to and from the event.

NOTE: See your administrator before signing up and agreeing to attend any such events.

14. All-Star Games

• See MSHSAA Handbook 3.16.9 (p. 83)

15. Recruiting of Athletes

• You will be ineligible for your career at a school if you are influenced by a person or persons to attend upon promotion or transfer schools for athletic or activities purposes. You may, however, return to your original school and be ineligible for no more than 365 days.

16. Transfer For Athletic Reasons

• You shall become ineligible for 365 days if you transfer to another school for athletic reasons.

17. Sports Camps and Clinics

- You may attend a specialized summer athletic camp(s)/clinic(s) where you receive instruction or coaching from a member of your school's coaching staff for a maximum of 20 sport specific days in any one sport. A calendar week for any sports camp is defined as any seven consecutive days and any consecutive grouping of days shall be counted as one calendar week.
- If you attend a non-school sponsored summer specialized sports camp(s) or group instruction this will count towards one of your 20 contact days if you receive instruction or coaching from a member of your school's coaching staff.
- Fall Sports: No summer specialized sports camp involving a fall season sport shall be attended 9 days before the first practice.

- During the school year outside of the school sport season, you may attend a non-school-sponsored specialized sports camp(s) or group instruction, provided: it does not result in any loss of school time, attendance does not occur within 9 days of the start of the school sport season for the sport concerned, it is not a team camp, no competition occurs other than limited scrimmaging, and no member of the coaching staff of the school you attend (or will attend) is involved in any way.
- During the school sport season, you may attend a non-school-sponsored specialized sports camp(s) or group instruction provided a school coach attends with you, camp attendance does not result in any loss of school time, it is not a team camp, there is no competition other than limited scrimmaging, and a school administrator approves your participation.
- If an individual sport skills camp is sponsored by a school, a) you may attend any camp of your choice up to and including the summer preceding your entry into the 8th grade or b) after you enter the 8th grade, you may only attend a school-sponsored sports camp at the school you are enrolled to attend (for graduation) in grades 9-12 (unless a transfer in grades 9-12 occurs).
- You or your parents must pay all camp/clinic fees, tuition and other related expenses. A scholarship, waiver of fees or a payment of travel expenses shall result in the loss of your eligibility.
- No school-owned uniforms or player equipment shall be used in any camp, clinic or group sport lesson other than team camps where the school coach is present as one of the two weeks of school camp. Member schools may not rent, sell, lease or loan their uniforms or player equipment for use in non-school sponsored camps, clinics or contests.

NOTE: Before attending any specialized athletic camp(s)/clinic(s) or group sport instruction, you should consult with your school principal or athletic administrator to make sure it meets the criteria published in the MSHSAA Official Handbook.

18. Sportsmanship

- If you should commit an unsportsmanlike act while participating in an event, you could become ineligible.
- If your conduct as a spectator is found to be unsportsmanlike, you could be barred from attending any further high school athletic contests.
- The unsportsmanlike conduct of any spectator regardless of age could cause that spectator to be barred from attending school athletic contests.

19. Foreign Student Eligibility

- You are eligible for varsity competition for one year only (senior year), provided you are participating in an exchange program listed by CSIET.
 - No person associated with the school may be involved in your selection.
 - No member of the school's coaching staff shall serve as a host family.
 - You must meet the age requirement of not reaching age 19 prior to July 1.
 - You must possess a current and valid visa.
 - You must have enrolled within the first 11 days of the semester.
 - You must meet all other general student-eligibility requirements.
 - If you meet all standards of eligibility except a CSIET program, you are a transfer student and the school must submit a transfer request for eligibility.

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Student Activity Drug Testing Policy Greenfield R-IV School District

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE AND INTENT

While all drugs have the potential to harm, some drugs are more harmful than others. For a small number of people, drugs lead to serious and far-reaching consequences not only for themselves, but their families, their communities, and society in general. Drugs can have an impact on their education, their relationships, their choices, and can prevent one from reaching their full potential.

For the safety, health, and wellbeing of the students of the Greenfield R-IV School District, the district has adopted this policy for R-IV students who participate in off-season and in-season extracurricular and co-curricular activities in grades 7-12 as enumerated below.

It is the desire of the Board of Education, administration and staff that every student in the Greenfield school district refrains from using, possessing, or distributing illegal drugs and alcohol. Substance abuse prevention programs have been utilized throughout the district in all grades, kindergarten through grade twelve. Instruction is provided for drug abuse prevention in health, counseling and science classes as appropriate for various grade levels. The Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities Program, funded by a federal grant, has helped provide education activities and materials for students, teachers, parents and community members. The key component of this program is to open the lines of communication between students and parents about the serious matter of drug usage and abuse.

Parents and students alike have expressed concerns about the prevalence of drug and alcohol usage by junior high and high school students. It is important that we give our students a reason to say "no." Participation in district-sponsored extracurricular and co-curricular activities is a privilege. Accordingly, students in extracurricular and co-curricular activities carry a responsibility to themselves, their fellow students, their parents, and their school to set the highest possible examples of conduct, which include avoiding the use or possession of illegal drugs and alcohol. It is the belief of the Greenfield R-IV Board of Education, administration, staff, and community that this policy will assist the district's efforts to reduce the use of illegal drugs and promote safety in the District. This policy is intended to complement and supplement all other policies, rules and regulations of the district regarding possession or use of illegal drugs. The actions of this policy relate solely to limiting the opportunity of any student in violation of this policy to participate in extracurricular or co-curricular activities. There will be no suspension from school for violation of this policy as deemed appropriate. This policy does not affect other policies and practices of the school district in dealing with drug or alcohol possession or use, including situations where reasonable suspicion is obtained by means other than testing discussed here.

DEFINITIONS

Activities: includes any school-sponsored activity in the following three categories: Missouri State High School Activities Association (MSHSAA) sanctioned activities, competitive activities, and noncompetitive activities. The activities, by categories are as follows:

MSHSAA Activities: athletics, band, choir, speech and debate, drama, cheerleading, and academic competition. Co-curricular activities- activities that students participate in outside of the classroom as a result of being enrolled in a school offered class. Co-Curricular activities include, but are not limited to:

FFA	FCCLA	FBLA	FCA
Art Club Spanish	n Club	Speech & Debate Chorus/Vocal Music	
Drama	Math Club	Student Council	Class Leadership
Science Club	NHS	Band	Scholar Bowl
SkillsUSA	Field Trips	Teen Advisory Bo	bard

Extracurricular activities: activities that take place outside the regular course of study in school. These include, but are not limited to:

Baseball Basketball Cheerleading Football Softball Reward/Field Trips Track Volleyball Prom (and other school-sponsored dances)

Participant: is any student in grades 7-12 who is involved in extracurricular or co-curricular activities as enumerated under "Activities" of the policy and is thereby eligible to be randomly selected for drug testing.

Off-season: refers to those students who participated the previous year or current year in any activity. In-season: refers to those students presently participating in an activity.

Drug Test: means a scientifically substantiated method to test for the presence of illegal drugs in a person's urine. **Illegal Drugs**: means any substance that a student may not sell, possess, use, distribute, or purchase under either federal or Missouri law. Illegal Drugs include, but are not limited to, all scheduled drugs as defined by Missouri law, all prescription drugs obtained without authorization and all prescribed drugs or over-the-counter drugs being used in dosages, frequency or ways other than directed.

Prescription medication abuse: includes any medication not belonging to the students or evidence when the level in a urine specimen is above the normal prescriptions.

Performance-Enhancing Drug: includes anabolic steroids and any other natural or synthetic substance used to increase muscle mass, strength, endurance, speed or other athletic ability. The term "Performance-Enhancing Drugs" does not include dietary or nutritional supplements such as vitamins, minerals, and proteins, which can be lawfully purchased in over-the-counter transactions.

Screening Test: is the initial urine test, which will not be considered basis as the final positive result.

School Year: includes, but is not limited to, all days including and between the first day of classes in the fall and the last day of school in the spring.

Non-negative: is a positive result to the initial screening test prior to confirmation through a gas chromatography/mass spectrometry test.

Positive: means a gas chromatography/mass spectrometry test result, which is considered to demonstrate the presence of an illegal drug. The testing facility will determine positive results utilizing industry standards.

Amphetamine	1000ng/ml
Cocaine	300ng/ml
Methamphetamine	1000ng/ml
Morphine (opiates)	2000ng/ml
THC (marijuana)	50ng/ml
Alcohol	Trace

The above listing is an example only and is not intended to be exhaustive.

Adulterant/Adulteration: Refers to any attempt to alter the outcome of a urine drug test by adding a substance to the sample, attempting to switch, or otherwise interfere with the detection of illicit or banned substance in the urine, or purposefully over hydrating oneself in an attempt to dilute the urine to decrease possible detection of illicit or banned substances.

Reasonable Suspicion: Refers, but is not limited to 1) observed possession or use of substances appearing to be prohibited drugs, 2) arrest or conviction for a criminal offense related to the possession or transfer of prohibited drugs or substances, or 3) observed abnormal appearance, conduct or behavior reasonable interpreted as being caused by the use of prohibited drugs or substances. Among the indicators that may be used in evaluating a student-athlete's abnormal appearance, conduct of performance are: class attendance, significant GPA changes, athletic practice attendance, increased injury rate or illness, extreme physical appearance changes, academic/athletic motivational level, emotional condition, mood changes and legal involvement.

PROCEDURES

Each participant in activities will receive copies of the Student Activities Drug-testing Policy and Student Activities Drug-testing Consent Form, which shall be read, signed, and dated by the student and parent(s)/guardian(s). Participants that are in Grades 7 - 12 must submit the signed Student Activities Drug-testing Consent Form to the high school office 5 school days after receipt of the policy. Students will then be allowed to continue or to begin practice or participation in any extracurricular and/or co-curricular activity during the remainder of the school year. Transfer students grades 7-12, that would like to participate in any co-curricular and/or extracurricular activity must submit the signed Student Activities Drug-testing Consent Form to the high school office within 5 days of receiving the policy.

Once a student has submitted a Student Activities Drug-testing Consent Form, the student's status in the program will continue until a new form is submitted requesting removal from the program. Each school year, at the beginning of the year, students will be required to sign and submit the Student Activities Drug=-testing Consent Form. For school year 2021-2022 students will be allowed 5 school days to return the policy after receipt of the policy.

Any student removing his/her name from the drug-testing pool will be ineligible for activities for three hundred sixty-five (365) calendar days.

Students who do not choose to participate in activities may participate in the drug-testing program on a voluntary basis by submitting the Student Activities Drug-testing Consent Form to the activities director's office.

Participants will be assigned a number for identification. The drug-testing company will randomly select students from grades 7-12 for testing. The Superintendent or other designated person will match the selected numbers to the master list of participants.

Participants will be required to provide urine samples as follows:

1) In-season and/or off-season participants from grades 7-12 will be randomly selected to provide a urine sample.

2) Testing will occur during the school year.

Any drug test required by the District under the terms of this policy will be administered by or at the direction of a drug-testing company chosen by the District using scientifically validated toxicological methods. The drug-testing company will be required to provide to the District detailed written specifications to assure chain of custody of the specimens, proper laboratory control and scientific testing.

All aspects of the drug-testing program, including the collection of specimens, will be conducted to safeguard the personal and privacy rights of participants. The test specimen shall be obtained in a manner designed to minimize intrusiveness of the procedure. In particular, the specimen must be collected in a private facility behind a closed stall. The drug-testing company technician will supervise the participant at the collection facility. The technician will not observe the participant while specimen is being collected, but the technician will be present outside the stall to listen for the normal sounds of urination to guard against

tampered specimens and to ensure an accurate chain of custody of the specimens. The technician will verify the normal warmth and appearance of the specimen. If at any time during the testing procedure the technician has reason to believe or suspect that a student is tampering with the specimen, the technician may stop the procedure and determine if a new sample should be obtained.

If the screening test is positive, it will be considered a non-negative. Only a designated school district employee will know the identity of the non-negative student. Confirmation will be made through a second and different test of the same specimen. The second test will use a gas chromatography/mass spectrometry technique. Each sample will be tested for adulterants. If an adulteration substance is found, the test will be considered to be positive.

If the gas chromatography/mass spectrometry test for any student has a positive result, the medical review officer will confirm the positive result and contact the parent(s)/guardian(s) and Superintendent with the results. If the participant asserts that the positive test results are caused in some way other than use or consumption of an illegal drug by the participant, the participant and parent(s)/guardian(s) will be given up to seventy-two (72) hours to present evidence to the medical review officer, including a list of medications the participant has taken, to show cause for the positive result other than the use or consumption of illegal drugs. A specimen will not be reported positive unless the second test utilizing the gas chromatography/mass spectrometry procedure is positive for the presence of an illegal drug and the review of additional evidence provided by the participant and parent(s)/guardian(s) is complete.

The District will rely on the opinion of the medical review officer in determining whether the positive test result was produced by means other than use or consumption of an illegal drug by the participant.

Once a positive result is determined, the medical review officer will inform both the parent/guardian of the individual and the Superintendent of the positive result. The Superintendent will inform the Principal, the head coach and/or sponsor. The participant will become ineligible immediately from all covered activities.

Upon suspension from activities based upon a positive drug test, the participant may appeal within 5 days in writing the medical review officer's decision to the Superintendent. The Superintendent will review evidence and provide their written decision to the participant and parent(s)/guardian(s) within five (5) working days of the appeal.

The Superintendent's decision may be appealed in writing to the Greenfield R-IV Board of Education within five (5) working days. Within five working days of the receipt of the appeal, the Board of Education will provide a written response to the appeal.

VIOLATIONS

Any student who tests positive in a drug test under this policy shall be subject to the following restrictions:

A. For the first offense, the participant shall be suspended from any and all participation in any and all activities for thirty (30) calendar days. The student may attend practice sessions, continue to attend team-group functions and sit with fellow participants during the activities, but may not participate. Students must also produce a negative test prior to being allowed to resume participation in activities. Any participant who tests positive will be required to provide a negative drug test at participant cost before regaining eligibility. Failure to provide a negative drug test, within five school days, at the end of the initial suspension will be considered a second violation.

Students will also be required to provide documentation of a minimum of two (2) hours of school-sanctioned drug abuse education received during their thirty (30) days of suspension. Any assistance otherwise or enrollment into any other drug counseling sessions will be exclusively the cost of the student and parent or guardian. The district-counseling department will assist the family in seeking help, either public or private, as requested.

B. For the second offense, the participant will be suspended from any and all participation in any and all activities for 365 days from the date of the confirmation of the positive test. The participant must provide a negative drug test before regaining eligibility. The participant must also complete a school-sanctioned substance abuse education program and a follow-up drug test with a negative result. If a participant does not comply, he/she will become permanently ineligible for participation in activities effective at the time the failure to complete the program is identified.

C. For the third offense, the participant will be permanently suspended from participation in all in-season or off-season activities for the remainder of their high school career.

D. Parents with students in grades 7-12 who participate in the drug-testing program voluntarily, but do not participate in any activities that are subject to this drug-testing policy and test positive, will be notified of such positive test, but the student will not be penalized through this policy or the Student Discipline Policy.

E. A first offense occurring in 7th or 8th grade will be cleared from a student's record upon entering high school provided all criteria outlined in this policy have been met.

RETEST AFTER SUSPENSION

In the case of retesting a student suspended for marijuana, a lower level of the substance might continue to be evident for up to 90 days because of the extended length of time the substance stays in the body. In this situation the student would continue activity participation. If the marijuana level stay the same or increases on the additional tests it will e treated as a second positive test. It will also be considered a second positive if any level is detected after 90 days.

REFUSAL TO SUBMIT TO DRUG USE TEST

If a participant refuses to submit to a drug test authorized under this policy the participant will be considered to have had a positive test and will receive the restrictions according to the offense. Any student who has a positive initial test and refuses to complete the required paperwork for confirmation test will be treated as a refusal to submit to testing and be subject to a 365-calendar day suspension from any and all participation in any and all activities.

STUDENT DISCIPLINE POLICY

This Student Activities Drug-testing Policy does not limit or otherwise affect Board policy, regulation or procedure regarding discipline for the sale, possession, use, distribution or purchase of drugs (or alcohol) when

reasonable suspicion of such conduct arises out of circumstances other than the random testing conducted pursuant to the policy.

Adopted: October 15, 2008

- Cross Refs: IGAEA, Teaching about Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco IGD, District Sponsored Extracurricular Activities and Organizations
- Legal Refs: U.S. Const., amend IV Board of Educ. Of Ind. Sch. Dist. No 92 of Pottawatomie County v. Earls, 536 U.S. 822 (2002) Vernonia Sch. Dist. V. Acton, 515 U.S. 646 (1995)

CITIZENSHIP STANDARDS FOR ELIGIBILITY

Student activities in the Greenfield Public Schools provide a program for students to pursue special interests in addition to the more formal class activities. Student activities help develop leadership abilities, promote school spirit and loyalty, establish habits of good citizenship, and provide opportunities to learn to work as a part of a group. Although student activities are important for the all-around development for students, they must necessarily be of secondary importance. REGULAR CLASSROOM WORK MUST COME FIRST.

"Creditable citizenship shall be one of the criteria for participation in school activities. Creditable citizenship includes such things as regular and punctual attendance and a quality of conduct which promotes the best interests of the school."

"Repeated referrals of a student for misbehavior may be sufficient reason to declare a student ineligible. A single serious breach of good conduct, either in or out of school may, also, be sufficient cause for declaring a student ineligible to participate in a school activity."

The Greenfield Public Schools Activity Program has traditionally been represented by excellent students who are outstanding citizens. Only a few students make errors in judgment which makes necessary a review of their citizenship. The following citizenship standards for eligibility have been approved as school policy for the Greenfield Public Schools and are applicable to any student who represents their school.

PARTICIPATION in student activities is a privilege and not a right; therefore, the Greenfield Board of Education believes that students must adhere to standards of behavior, which will bring credit to the individual student, the particular activity, the school, and the community. Individual coaches/sponsors may impose additional rules and/or punishments above and beyond the minimum school standards.

The Board of Education insists that student behavior be in compliance with Board Policy, with the Student Handbook Regulations, and with public laws. Behavior not in compliance may result in suspension or expulsion from all extra-curricular activities. While it is not possible to cite every example of behavior that violates policies, regulations, or public laws, there are certain behaviors that are more frequently a problem for school systems than others and will be addressed herein.

Specifically, a seven (7) calendar day suspension from the activities program will be assessed for the violation of the tobacco use standard or repetitive infractions of the discipline policy. A second violation of these standards during a season will result in the removal from that activity.

A minimum thirty (30) calendar day suspension from the activities program will be assessed when the school has knowledge of inappropriate activities that may result in an arrest (excluding minor traffic violations) including but not limited to alcohol, assault, drug-related offenses, theft, vandalism or other major breaches of the citizenship code. Once a student has received a 30 day suspension on any of these offenses, they will serve the following consequences.

- 1. Stage 1: 30 day suspension & 8 hours of community service.
- 2. Stage 2: 180 day suspension & 25 hours of community service.
- 3. Stage 3: 365 day suspension & 50 hours of community service.

The Greenfield Board of Education, also, believes that consistent administration of this policy is important from school to school, and from activity, and the appropriate due process procedures must be followed before any student is suspended from participation. Students will remain suspended during any appeals process.

Each individual coach or sponsor, after consulting with the principal or his designee, has the authority to decide whether or not a student will be allowed to practice and/or be present at team activities with a team or school sponsored group while that student's eligibility is suspended.

In addition to these standards, students must abide by the rules and regulations of the Missouri State High School Activities Association. The following rules are included in the rules to the MSHSAA official handbook, and

are listed here to help students and parents understand state requirements and to help avoid a misunderstanding which could lead to violations of eligibility standards.

1) A student who misses a class on the date of a contest without being excused by his or her principal shall not be considered eligible to represent his school on that date (The student is not eligible until they have been in attendance a full day, i.e. if a student misses Friday, he/ she cannot participate during the weekend).

2) Any student who withdraws from school because of disciplinary measures shall not be eligible for any inter-scholastic activity for one year from the date of withdrawal.

3) A student in grades 9-12 must be currently enrolled in courses that offer a total of three units of credit, and he/she must have earned three units of credit in courses that met the proceeding semester in which he/she was in attendance in high school.

4) A student with one F during the preceding semester is eligible under the new MSHSAA guidelines effective August 10, 2009.

2 F's or more you are not eligible. (MSHSAA rule)

1 F you are eligible according to MSHSAA guidelines.

A beginning ninth grade student who failed more than one academic subject the previous semester must be promoted by the JH administration & staff to be eligible to participate in activities.

- 5) A junior or senior high school student may be eligible in a public school only in the district in which his/her parents, legally established guardian, or person with whom he has been living for one calendar year, and which is designated as the school for him to attend by the Board of Education.
- 6) A student should check with his/her coach or administrator before competing in any non-school competition.

7) The school shall require of each student before the student is allowed to practice or participate, a physician's certificate stating that he or she is physically able to participate in athletic contests of his or her school.

8) A student shall not be permitted to practice or compete for a school until it has verification that he or she has basic athletic insurance coverage.

9) Students and parents must demonstrate understanding and agreement with this citizenship policy through the signed return of the signature sheet located on page 22 of this handbook .

CITIZENSHIP POLICY AGREEMENT (Required for Athletic and Activity Participants)

Participant's Name (print)

Grade

2023-24 School Year

Prior to participating in any practice or tryout sessions for any interscholastic sport or activity, each student must:

1. Provide MSHSAA Medical Eligibility Form (page 5 of MSHSAA Preparticipation Physical Form), completed by a healthcare professional (MD/DO/ARNP/PA/DC) releasing student as medically eligible. (Required for all sports, spirit, and Marching Band)

2. Provide a completed MSHSAA Pre-participation Documentation - Annual Requirements form. (Required for all sports and activities)

3. Return the Citizenship Policy Agreement, properly signed.

As a school's student-athlete participating voluntarily in interscholastic athletics and activities, I understand that:

1. I have read this handbook and understand what the Greenfield R-IV School District expects from me in regards to sportsmanship, citizenship, scholastics, and staying free from drug/alcohol/ tobacco use while enrolled in this school. I understand the consequences for breaking school policy and I will not do so while a Greenfield R-IV School district student participating in interscholastic sports or activities. I understand that this is a year round commitment.

2. I will be responsible for all equipment issued to me throughout the season, will return such equipment at the conclusion of the season, and will pay the current replacement cost for any of the equipment not accounted for by me at the end of the season.

3. I, along with my parents, certify that I have read and understand all of the school district athletic/activity policies in this handbook. In order to be eligible for participation, I understand I must comply with all requirements listed in the Athletic/Activity Handbook, the Student Handbook, and the Greenfield R-IV School Board Policies.

Student Signature	Date
Student's Name Printed	
Parent Signature	Date
Parent's Name Printed	