**La Conner School District Extra- Curricular Student Participation Policy**

**Addendum with Board Approved Updates – June 2016**

**Please note these changes to the LCSD Student Participation Policy adopted by the Board of Directors at their meeting on June 27, 2016:**

**Washington Interscholastic Activities Association (W.I.A.A.) Requirements**

1) Prior to the first practice session, and in order to ensure the ongoing physical welfare of the athletes, it is imperative that evidence be given to the Athletic Director of the following:

A) Student physical fitness exam by a qualified health professional

B) Proof of health insurance

C) Signed Sudden Cardiac Arrest Information Form

D) Signed Concussion Information Form

E) Signed Inherent Risk Form(s) – these are required for each individual sport

**Academic Ineligibility**

School sponsored activities must support and not compete with the academic focus of the school.

To ensure that students are meeting their academic responsibilities:

1) The principal and/or Athletic Director will conduct academic eligibility checks for all participants in school-sponsored activities/events. These checks will be completed every two weeks during the sport/activity season according to a published calendar. The principal or athletic director of extracurricular will notify students, parents and coaches of ineligibility due to academic deficiencies. Reversal of ineligibility is the responsibility of the individual student and requires approval by the principal/athletic director. Eligibility checks will be based on current semester grades.

2) Conditional academic ineligibility from school-sponsored activities will be instituted for any student who falls below a 2.0 grade point average.

**Consequences:** any student with less than a 2.0 in the current semester will be required to document two hours of before or after school study time each week with teachers and/or approved support staff. This will be required until the students current semester GPA is greater than 2.0.

2) Ineligibility from competition (and team travel) will result if the student:

A) Receives an “F” grade in any class.

B) Has 3 or more unexcused tardies in any two-week period.

1. Has been assigned to In-School or Out-of-School Suspension

3) The suspension becomes effective at 1:00 p.m. on the Tuesday following the Friday grade check and lasts seven calendar days. In order to regain eligibility, the student must prove that he/she has met the academic standards set forth above by bringing printout of current grades to the principal or athletic director proving that he/she has met the standard he/she will regain eligibility.

**Consequences:** A student ineligible for any of the above reasons A-C will miss a minimum of one contest at his/her “regular completion level” for any ineligibility. In addition, the ineligible student will be required to document two hours of before or after school study time each week with teachers and/or approved support staff. This will be required until the students current semester GPA is greater than 2.0.

**Consequences for Use of Marijuana, Tobacco and Alcohol**

**Criteria for violations**: Students, who have, in the judgment of the principal, to have used, shared or delivered alcohol or tobacco will be subject to the following sanctions:

**First Violation: Ineligible for competition or scheduled activities for a minimum of 14 days.**

Required steps to regain eligibility:

1) The student will undergo mandatory assessment through an outside agency at his/her own expense.

2) The student and parent guardian will sign a “release of information form” allowing the school access to the recommendations of the evaluation and proof of treatment.

3) The student and parent/guardian will share the evaluation and treatment recommendations with the principal. Should the student fail to follow through on the recommendations he/she will be restricted from further participation in the activity until the recommendations are being followed to the satisfaction of the principal.

**Second Violation: Suspension from all extracurricular activities for the remainder of the school year.**

**PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THE PORTION BELOW TO THE MS/HS OFFICE**

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**I have read, understand and intend to abide by the rules governing extracurricular activity eligibility in the La Conner School District.**

Student Name (printed):

Student Signature Date

**I have read and understand the requirements and consequences pertaining to the student for whom I am responsible.**

Parent/Guardian Signature: Date