

PLAYER POLICY FOR PARTICIPATING IN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Eligibility Requirements

Alaska School Activities Association (ASAA)

- All students must maintain at least an overall 2.0 GPA during the current semester to remain eligible. Students who do not maintain an overall 2.0 GPA may regain eligibility during the current semester by achieving and maintaining an overall 2.0 GPA within the school's grading system.
- Athletes must have a physical examination. All students must have parent consent for emergency treatment and indication of accident insurance form on file.

Attendance

- All students involved in travel as part of the Activities Program are required to be in attendance FOR THE ENTIRE SCHOOL DAY OR UNTIL THE TIME OF DISMISSAL. Failure to comply will mean forfeiture of travel privileges for that trip and/or participation in a home event.
- Students are expected to take care of pre-trip activities such as packing before the school day and will not be excused early to do so.
- Students returning from travel will be in school the next day. Students returning before noon will attend classes the rest of that same day unless arrangements are approved by the principal.
- Students will attend classes the day of a home contest. If a student is absent from school for the entire day or leaves school early due to illness they may not participate in games scheduled that day.
- If a student is absent from school for the entire day or leaves school early due to illness, they may not attend practice that day.
- If school is cancelled due to weather or other unexpected circumstances there will not be practice.

Check Out/ Eligibility Policy

- All students traveling for an event or who are planning to participate in a home event as part of the KGBSD activities program must be grade eligible by Friday of the week prior to the home event or travel event. Eligibility is determined the week prior to the actual home event or travel event. Students will begin the sign-out process during homeroom on Wednesday the week prior to the event. Students must be signed eligible by the time of their homeroom the Friday prior to the week of the event.
- All students must maintain a 2.0 GPA, have no more than one D with no failing grades (F) to be eligible to travel for school activities. Students must also be passing all classes and have no more than two D's in order to participate in home games, meets and matches.

- If a student is deemed ineligible upon sign-out the Friday prior to the week of the event, he/she will not be allowed to travel or participate in the event the following week. Even if a student's grade/behavior improves drastically by the following week before the time of travel or home event, he/she will not be able to participate. On the other hand, if a student is determined eligible that Friday before, that student may travel even if his/her grade drops before the date of departure. The same applies for home events. Again, eligibility is determined the week prior to the actual home event or away event.
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- If there are extenuating circumstances, the A.D. or principal may extend the deadline. At any time, due to unsatisfactory behavior, a student may be excluded from extra-curricular participation as deemed appropriate by SMS administration. The principal will document all incidences of extenuating circumstances.
- Under no circumstances shall an administrator or parent pressure a teacher to extend deadlines or certify eligibility for an ineligible player. A teacher may request that an administrator extend the deadline if that teacher is in the process of working with a student on their eligibility and feels that circumstances would warrant an extension.
- The teacher will notify the coach and Administration. if the student is unable to travel due to failing grades or unsatisfactory behavior.
- The A.D. will contact a student's parents/guardians when such an event occurs.

Practice Rules

- Coaches will keep attendance records of practices, fund raising events, and games.

Physical Examinations and Paperwork

- A student will not be permitted to participate in practice session or to represent the school in athletics until there is a current, signed, medical release and physical on file with the school. This physical must have taken place within twelve calendar months of the anticipated final day or participation in the activity.
- All paperwork will be completed before the beginning of the season, including drug testing release, medical release, parental permission, and emergency contact information.
- Coaches will not take the verbal confirmation for a current physical from the students or parents. This will be confirmed by the A.D.

Random Drug Testing

- Testing will be done by randomly drawing 10% of all participating athletes. Strict confidentiality will be observed at all times to protect those tested and especially for those who test positive. Should an athlete test positive, consequences will be imposed.

- Refusal to be tested will result in the student being considered ineligible to participate in the sport for which the test was required.
- Should a student or parent refuse to complete the necessary forms for the random drug test, that student will not be allowed to participate in the activities until such a time as the student and the parent or guardian signs the authorization.

Behavior and Responsibilities

General Behavior

- Students are expected to behave in manner as to bring credit to their school, community and family.
- Participants are expected to display good sportsmanship both on and off the playing area.
- Students must be current in all classes before leaving the campus for a trip.
- Students will participate in a two-hour study period per day for every day of school missed while traveling. Example: trip is Thursday –Sunday, student will have a four-hour study period. It is the student's responsibility to get all study material and homework assignments from the teachers.
- All assignments/homework are due the first day the student returns to class or as directed by the teacher.
- Appropriate team attire or well-groomed attire will be worn. Torn clothing, dirty clothing and pajamas are not appropriate.
- While traveling, students will not drive or operate a vehicle at any time. This includes rental cars and host family vehicles. Students that violate this policy will face disciplinary action, which can include suspension of travel for the remainder of the year.
- Students should always travel in pairs. No student may go anywhere alone. The coach must give permission for the student to go somewhere before they leave. Leaving with friends or even family members without the permission of the coach is strictly forbidden.
- Students will remain in the care and locale of the coach/chaperone at all times unless prior arrangements are made in writing (form). Students may not leave with anyone other than the coach and/or host family. A student who leaves the group without permission will be subject to appropriate disciplinary measures, which may include being sent home, and restrictions placed on future travel.
- The use of tobacco, alcohol or drugs in any form is not allowed at school activities. Evidence of the use and/or possession of alcohol, tobacco and/or drugs are sufficient cause for detention by school officials. Parental and police contact will be made. School disciplinary action will also be taken whether the issue at hand concerns tobacco, alcohol or drugs. School rules are in effect while traveling. Violations of school rules while traveling will be treated with the same policy that governs violations that occur on school grounds.
- If a student encounters the use of drugs, alcohol, tobacco or major rule violations by peers, they must remove themselves immediately from the situation and alert

the coach. Failure to do so will mean a conscious decision to stay in the situation or to not inform the proper people of the event and may result in disciplinary action.

- Violation of behavior guidelines may result in suspension from school, the program, and/or activity.

Failure to follow the rules can/will result in the student's return to Ketchikan and further disciplinary action, including but not limited to suspension from that and further extra-curricular activity.

Student Name: _____

KGBSD Student Activities Agreement

Initial:

_____ I will behave in a manner as to bring credit to my school, community and family.

_____ I will display good sportsmanship both on and off the playing area.

_____ I will be current in all classes before leaving the campus for a trip.

_____ I will bring all material and homework assignments from the teachers.

_____ I will wear appropriate attire while traveling.

_____ I will not drive or operate a vehicle at any time while on school travel.

_____ I will keep the coach informed of my whereabouts and not leave the team event or housing situation with family or friends without approval from the coach and appropriate school approval.

_____ I understand that study time of 2 hours per school day missed is the standard and I will participate in designated study times.

_____ I will always travel in pairs or larger groups.

_____ I will not participate in insubordinate behavior such as profanity, bullying, harassment, gambling, fighting, theft, vandalism, etc.

_____ I will not use tobacco, alcohol, or drugs in any form at any time throughout the period from the beginning of the first fall season through the end of the last spring season. This requirement becomes active at the first signing of the Activities Agreement and is binding through graduation.

_____ While traveling, if I encounter a situation where there are drugs, alcohol or major violations, I will remove myself immediately from the situation and **alert the coach**.

_____ I will follow all housing and hotel rules. I understand I cannot be in the room of someone of the opposite gender.

_____ I will not go into a stateroom or solarium on the ferry while traveling on a school activity.

_____ I will follow any other rules established by my coach/advisor.

_____ I have read the KGBSD Activity Manual and will follow all rules to participate in a school activity.

_____ I understand that to violate rules set forth by the KGBSD and Ketchikan High School can/will result in being sent home at my and/or my parent's expense. This will also include the expense of a chaperone to travel with me.

_____ I understand that violation of behavior policies may result in permanent suspension from the program or activity and/or may result in suspension from school.

There are injury risks inherent in all school activities, with minimal risk in non-athletic activities and much more serious injury risks involved in competitive athletics. Generally, an "inherent risk" is a risk incurred in a normal game played within rules on a safe facility by trained players who have had qualified instruction and who know, understand and appreciate the risks of the game. Your signature below indicates that you have read and understand the eligibility requirements, rules and have been warned of the dangers involved in participating in the specific activity for which this agreement has been signed. You further understand and appreciate that injuries do occur which could be severe or disabling and you will not hold the Ketchikan Gateway Borough School District liable when there is no negligence on the part of the District.

I, (print) _____ (student) have read, understand and appreciate the rules and warning I have received regarding participation in activities and my responsibilities while traveling as a member of the Ketchikan High School Student Body
Signature (student): _____
Date: _____

I, (print) _____ (guardian) have read understand and appreciate the rules and warnings I have received regarding my child's participation in activities and his/her responsibilities while traveling as a member of the Ketchikan High School Student Body.

Signature (guardian): _____