

## USD #223 JR/SR HIGH SCHOOLS ACTIVITIES CODE

The USD #223 Jr/Sr High Schools Activities Code for Hanover and Linn Schools is designed to create a positive, drug free environment for all activities, including athletics. Hanover/Linn High Schools encourage students to participate in a variety of activities and while doing so the students are reminded that they are acting as representatives of the school and community. Administrators, teachers, coaches, coach's aides, and students are expected to enforce this code and abide by the conditions set forth.

This plan is not designed to supersede or invalidate any of the present policies of Unified School District #223 or Hanover/Linn Jr/Sr High Schools. The intention of the code is to allow uniformity of procedures for all activity programs at Hanover/Linn Jr/Sr High School.

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### **GUIDELINES**

#### **ITEM 1**

During a school year a student shall not:

- 1) Use or possess a beverage containing alcohol, including, but not limited to cereal malt beverages.
- 2) Use, consume, possess, buy, sell, give away, or transfer tobacco or any other controlled substance described by law as a drug (including non-prescription steroids).
- 3) Commit an act or display conduct which constitutes the commission of a felony or misdemeanor, excluding traffic violations.

#### **ITEM 2**

A school year shall be defined as one academic year and that portion of a season which might begin before the start of the school year and that portion of a season which might end after the close of the school year.

#### **ITEM 3**

An activity day will be defined as those days on which activities may have been scheduled (Monday through Saturday) - excluding holidays, vacation periods, buffer weeks, and Sunday.

#### **ITEM 4**

This code will be enforced during the entire time the student is enrolled at Hanover/Linn Jr/Sr High Schools. Violations are not erased at the end of a particular academic period, but accrue during the entire six years.

#### **ITEM 5**

It is not a violation to possess and consume a controlled substance specifically prescribed for the student's own use by his or her personal physician.

#### **ITEM 6**

A coach or sponsor may establish additional guidelines for a particular program as they deem appropriate. Those guidelines cannot, however, be in conflict with this activity code or the administrative policies of USD #223 or Hanover/Linn High Schools.

#### **ITEM 7**

Any student that does not have a properly signed and valid activities code on file at Hanover/Linn High Schools will be ineligible to participate in any activity covered by the activities code.

### **CONSEQUENCES OF ACTION(S)**

#### **First Violation:**

If a student violates the activity code guidelines and the violation is reported and substantiated in writing by a member of the faculty, administration, or a law enforcement official, the student shall lose eligibility for twelve activity days after confirmation of the action. The student shall continue to practice with the squad.

#### **Second Violation:**

A student that commits a second violation of the activity code will lose eligibility for 24 activity days after confirmation of the action. The student will continue to practice with the squad.

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**Third or Subsequent Violations:**

A student that commits a third violation of the activity code will lose eligibility for 36 activity days after confirmation of the action. The student will not practice with the squad.

**ACTIVITIES COVERED BY THIS POLICY**

Football	Volleyball	Cross Country	Basketball
Track	Forensics	Scholars Bowl	Vocal Music
Band	Student Council	Spirit Squads	Thespians/School Play
Art Club	FFA	FCCLA	NHS
L Club/H Club	FBLA	Class Activities	Dances
Golf	Jr/Sr Prom	Homecoming Activities	
	(Banquet & Dance & After Prom)		

**I/We understand and agree to abide by all the provisions of the Linn/Hanover High Schools Activities Code.**

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Students Name (Please Print)

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Student's Signature

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Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

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Date