

WEBSTER MIDDLE SCHOOL EXTRA-CURRICULAR CODE OF CONDUCT 2022-23

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Introduction and Participation

Webster offers a variety of extra- and co-curricular activities for students to participate in throughout the school year. While our primary goal as a school District is to provide a sound academic experience for all of our students, extraand co-curricular activities provide unique opportunities for students to promote their mental, physical, social and emotional development and leadership.

We encourage all students to participate in as many activities as possible. Participation in extra- and co-curricular activities is an integral part of our school curriculum and a privilege that should elicit great pride in both the student and his/her family.

The following **Webster Middle School Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct** pertains to ALL students participating in any extra- or co-curricular activity. Students who participate on a team/club/group that represents Webster Middle School do so with a degree of honor and, therefore, accept this honor and the responsibilities that come with it. They will adhere to this code of conduct and show responsibility by:

- Working to their ability in ALL classes and as a member of the team/group/club. Students are required to be passing in all classes to be eligible to participate in Webster extra- or co-curricular activities.
- Keeping current with all work, or completing all legitimate late work, in the prescribed amount of time.
- Conducting themselves as appropriate representatives of the school and showing good sportsmanship.
- Being on time for all classes and practices.
- Showing a positive attitude by attending all practices and games/events unless excused.
- Adhering to all school, team and game/event guidelines.
- Taking care of all issued equipment and returning Webster uniforms/apparel/resources at the conclusion of the season.
- Setting a good example at all times so that each team member can trust and rely on each other.

*All athletes/participants must abide by the above set code of conduct. The coach/advisor/leader will be made aware of any deviation and handle consequences if problems arise.

Webster Middle School Clubs/Groups (this list may evolve over the school year):

Art Club Best Buddies Chromebook Club Coding Club Cooking Club First Lego League (robotics) Game Club Green Team Jazz Band Math Club Media Club Musical Production REDgen Alliance (wellness) Ski/Snowboard Club Student Acceptance Team Student Council Student Ambassadors SWAT - Fuel Up to Play 60 Webster Writers Wolverine Choir Wolverine Time (study group)

Webster Athletic Teams:

Cross Country Girls Basketball Girls Volleyball Track & Field Boys Basketball Wrestling

Eligibility

1. Student Academics

It is the philosophy of Webster Middle School and the Cedarburg School District that academics are the number one priority for the student. To remain eligible to participate in an extra- or co-curricular activity, a student must not have any failing grades at the end of quarter 1, 2 and 3. Important considerations:

- The first day of ineligibility is the day that grade reports are submitted to the principal, and a student will be ineligible for three weeks.
- If the student's academic performance has not improved after the third week (15 school days) ineligibility period and he/she is still not meeting the requirements in all classes, an additional two-week ineligibility will be added.
- If the student has not improved his/her academic standing after the second ineligibility period, he/she will be dropped from the team or club.
- During the ineligibility period, the student must practice and meet all of the team requirements but cannot compete in any games or meets.
- If the class the student was deficient in is no longer meeting, the student will be reinstated after the initial three-week ineligibility period.
- A building administrator and athletic coordinator will make all final decisions regarding eligibility.

2. Student Discipline

Students are expected to adhere to the Webster Middle School RISE expectations for behavior at all times during the school year. The expectation for all students is to represent Webster and the Cedarburg School District by being appropriate, respectful and responsible young adults.

Students who receive a school suspension as a disciplinary consequence will be suspended from the next subsequent contest within that event or season. (The term "contest" represents a co-curricular game, match, performance or event.) Practices are not considered a contest.

- *In-School Suspension:* Students are expected to be present for the next contest (without leaving school early) and participate in all practices leading up to the suspension date.
- *Out-of-School Suspension:* Students do not attend the next contest (as they are already out of the building on that date) but are expected to participate in all practices leading up to the suspension date.

Any unique suspension circumstances deemed by WMS administration may result in community service.

It is imperative that students follow the WMS Student/Parent Handbook as well as this Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct. A student participant is prohibited from participating in acts of vandalism (regardless of whether they are actually present for the act/event), disruptive behavior, harassment, hazing, bullying, theft, misuse/inappropriate use of social media, threatening, criminal or ordinance violations. All of these acts are violations of the code and some merit more consequence than others. The WMS administration will determine the severity of extra- and co-curricular suspension.

The following school violations will result in immediate in-season extra- or co-curricular suspension:

• Use or possession of tobacco products in any form, including vapes.

- Drinking/consuming, buying, selling, possessing, contributing to the sale of or delivering/transporting of alcoholic beverages.
- Attendance at events/parties where drugs and/or alcohol are being consumed or made available in an illegal manner.
- Involvement in illegal possession and/or use of controlled substances.

3. Student Attendance

Students participating in a co- or extra-curricular activity are expected to attend the scheduled events - both during school and non-school hours.

To be eligible to participate, students must be present for a minimum of FOUR (4) **FULL** INSTRUCTIONAL <u>CLASS PERIODS (excluding PAW and lunch) on the day of an extra- or co-curricular practice,</u> <u>contest/performance, rehearsal or club/group activity</u>. Exceptions to this rule — such as a family emergency, funeral, verified medical appointment or school-sponsored absence — are granted only with approval from the WMS administration. (In these cases, advance notification is strongly recommended.) If a student has an in- or out-of-school suspension, they cannot participate on the suspension day(s).

Athletic Fees

\$25.00 for each sport, \$50.00 individual max., \$100.00 family max.

Refund Policy

If a student's participation ends after the first practice or activity, no refund will be given. Any participant dismissed for disciplinary reasons will not receive a refund.

Injury

Every student participating in an extra-or co-curricular activity is required to report any injury to the advisor/coach at the time it occurs. The advisor/coach will fill out an accident report form.

Insurance

Please reference the "Insurance Information" section in the WMS Student-Parent Handbook.

Transportation

Webster Middle School is responsible for transporting students to and from all contests/events/activities. The school is aware that unusual circumstances do arise in which a parent desires to transport their son/daughter from a contest/event. If/when this occasion does arise, it is the responsibility of the student to obtain a <u>Travel</u> <u>Release Form</u> from our website. This form MUST be completed, signed by the parent/guardian, and returned to the coach/advisor before a student is cleared to travel with their designated family member (e.g., parent). (This

document does NOT clear a student to ride with anyone other than their designated family member.) Under NO circumstances will permission be given allowing students to transport themselves to or from a contest/event.

Athletic Registration and Instructions

To register for athletics/sport teams, please follow the <u>WMS Athletics registration instructions</u>. Students are not eligible to participate in any sport until the necessary steps have been completed.