

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Spectator Conduct and Sportsmanship for Athletic and Extracurricular Events

The School District expects mutual respect, civility, and orderly conduct among all people on school property or at a school event. Any person, including adults, who behaves in an unsportsmanlike manner during an athletic or extracurricular event may be ejected at the time of the incident from the event the person is attending and/or denied admission to school events for up to one calendar year following notice and a hearing before the Board.

Examples of unsportsmanlike conduct include:

- Unless specifically permitted by State law, possessing a weapon or any object that can reasonably be considered a weapon or looks like a weapon, or any dangerous device;
- Using vulgar, obscene, aggressive, or argumentative language;
- Distributing, consuming, using, possessing or being under the influence of any alcoholic beverage or illegal substance; being present when the person's alcohol or illegal drug consumption is detectable, regardless of when and/or where the use occurred;
- Fighting or otherwise striking, threatening, harassing, or intimidating another person;
- Failing to obey the instructions of a security officer or school district employee;
- Engaging in any activity that is illegal or disruptive; and
- Publicly demeaning or criticizing players, fans, sports officials, and/or coaches.

Procedures to Deny Future Admission to School Events or Meetings

Before any person may be denied admission to school events or meetings as provided in this policy, the person has a right to a hearing before the Board. The Superintendent may refuse the person admission pending such hearing. The Superintendent or designee must provide the person with a hearing notice, delivered or sent by certified mail with return receipt requested, at least ten days before the Board hearing date. The hearing notice must contain:

1. The date, time, and place of a Board hearing;
2. A description of the prohibited conduct;
3. The proposed time period that admission to school events will be denied; and
4. Instructions on how to waive a hearing.

The Superintendent or a Building Principal may sign complaints as agents of the District against any person(s) committing any offense at school events.

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LEGAL REF.: Illinois School Code, Sec. 24-24 (105 ILCS 5/24-24, and 5/24-25);
Pro-Children Act of 1994, 20 U.S.C. § 7181 et seq.
105 ILCS 5/10-20.5b
410 ILCS 130/, Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Pilot Program
430 ILCS 66/, Firearm Concealed Carry Act

CROSS REF.: 830.02, 840

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