

# Louisa Athletics Drug/Tobacco/Alcohol Policy

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND SIGN.

It is the goal of the Louisa Athletics Department, its coaching staff, Athletic Trainers, administrators, and faculty that all Louisa students be drug, tobacco, and alcohol free at all times! A student's opportunity to participate on an athletic team is a privilege, not a right. Student-athletes who represent their school during and beyond the normal school day must be willing to abide by regular school rules and guidelines established by the coach.

Training rules are a definite part of the education in the Louisa athletic program. The Louisa County High School has issued the following guidelines/consequences concerning the use of illegal drugs, alcohol, and tobacco.

1. **Any student** who has a school related illegal drug or alcohol violation will be suspended from participation in all school-sponsored athletic activities for 30 calendar days, this includes attending events. The student will also be removed from the team they are currently on and will be subject to the dismissal/quitting policy.
2. **An athlete possessing illegal drugs, tobacco, or alcohol** will be prohibited from participating in athletic activities for a minimum of 30 days or the end of the season, whichever is longer. The student will also be subject to the dismissal/quitting policy. **Hosting** a party where alcohol is present is considered possession and is in violation.
3. Due to the nature of athletics, the training rules will be applied to all student-athletes while they are on or off school property (24 hours a day), beginning the first day of tryouts and throughout their season. The principal has the discretion to extend any policy to include other items that may affect the health, safety, and performance of student-athletes.
4. Any athlete removed from a team will forfeit any school sponsored awards for the activity.

## Attention Parents/Guardians

The Louisa Athletics Department is on your side. We seek your assistance in leading our student-athletes to drug-free lives! Please join with us in supporting them with open arms, being positive role models, and providing drug free activities. *TOGETHER we can make a difference.*

**Please Note: This must be signed each year for each child... No exceptions!**

- The undersigned certifies that they have read, and accepted the following (3) documents entitled "**Louisa Athletics Drug/Tobacco/Alcohol Policy, Parent and Athlete Concussion Information and Training Rules**" submitted by the Louisa County High School Athletics Department.

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Student-Athlete Signature

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Parent/Guardian Signature

- The undersigned certifies that both the student and guardian(s)/parent(s) understand that students must pass 3 credited classes the semester prior to their season AND be currently enrolled in 3 credited classes during their current season at Louisa County High School to be eligible to participate/tryout for any team. ***Attn Winter Sports Participants - If a student does not successfully pass 3 credited classes from the fall semester, they will be ineligible after winter break and will be removed from the team.***

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Student-Athlete Signature

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Parent/Guardian Signature

- The undersigned certifies that students and guardian(s)/parent(s) understand that ***if the student quits or is removed from a team without mutual release, they are ineligible to participate in athletics for the next two seasons following dismissal (i.e. removal in the fall season results in not being eligible to participate until the next fall season).***

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Student-Athlete Signature

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Parent/Guardian Signature

**The signed document also certifies that both parent and student-athlete acknowledge/understand that it is a privilege, not a right, to be a member of a Louisa County High School athletic team. The head coach and/or school administration has the authority to revoke this privilege when a student does not conduct him/herself in an acceptable manner on or off the field and/or fails to meet the academic requirements.**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_