

2023-2024 MPSD Middle School Athletic Code Information

The interscholastic athletic program is an integral part of the MPSD educational experience. The athletic code is established for the best interest of the student-athlete and team. The student-athlete who complies with this code demonstrates a desire to dedicate themselves to self-improvement as well as to enhance the best interests of fellow teammates, coaches, and schools in the MPSD. This code is in effect and should be adhered to by the student-athlete once the student-athlete is on an athletic team and every day after that, even when the team is not in season.

REQUIRED FORMS (Forms can be obtained from the Main Office at your school; also return all completed forms to the Main Office)

1. [Code of Conduct Agreement & Insurance Waiver](#)
2. [Emergency Info & Medical Form](#)

Academic/School Eligibility: A student must meet school and DPI requirements defining a full-time student. Also, these guidelines must be followed for athletic participation.

1. A student must be passing all of their classes. If a student is not passing a class at the end of the quarter, they will be ineligible for a minimum of 5 school days. Once the student is passing the class(es), they will be allowed to participate. No competition can take place when ineligible, but practices are expected by each athlete.
2. A student must have passed all classes in the 4th quarter of the previous year to be eligible for the next school year (fall season). If the student does not pass the 4th quarter of any class, the student must receive a passing grade in a summer school make-up class to regain eligibility. If the student does not pass the summer school class, they will be ineligible for 2 events in the next fall season.
3. Academic Eligibility shall be determined by the student's mid-quarter grade and final quarter grade. Below are dates that constitute the end of the grading period from which eligibility will be determined.

End of 1st Quarter	Thursday, 11/02/23	End of 1st Quarter Grading Period	Monday, 11/13/23
End of 2nd Quarter	Thursday, 01/18/24	End of 2nd Quarter Grading Period	Monday, 01/29/24
End of 3rd Quarter	Friday, 03/22/24	End of 3rd Quarter Grading Period	Monday, 04/01/24
End of 4th Quarter	Thursday, 06/06/24	End of 4th Quarter Grading Period	Thursday, 06/06/24

4. A student must be present in school all day to participate in a practice or athletic contest. Exceptions can be made at the discretion of the Principal or Director of Athletics. Please communicate with your school administrator prior to the absence.
5. A student who is academically ineligible will not be allowed to travel to an out of town contest when it conflicts with the normal school day.
6. All school rules apply for all students. Disqualifying actions include but are not limited to:
 - a. Tardy for school or class.
 - b. Academic dishonesty or plagiarism.
 - c. Profane, obscene or unsportsmanlike gestures to an opponent, school staff member, bus driver, coach, fellow teammate, student, or other.
 - d. School or team insubordination.
 - e. Any criminal behavior in or out of school.
 - f. Bullying/cyber-bullying, or other types of student, school, or community harassment.
 - g. Hazing/initiation ceremony.
 - h. Engaging in or being a party to any immoral or unacceptable conduct contrary to the philosophy of the Manitowoc Public School District or the Manitowoc community.
 - i. Commits or participates in an act of vandalism at a district school, a school function, or at a school with whom school competes against.

ATHLETIC CODE AODA VIOLATIONS

- A. The sale, possession or illegal use of controlled substances (including steroids).
- B. The use, possession or purchase of alcoholic beverages.
- C. The use or possession of tobacco in any form.
- D. The use or possession of an electronic cigarette (vaping) device or liquid.
- E. In the presence of controlled substances, alcoholic beverages, or tobacco in any form. Note: If a student-athlete arrives at a gathering where alcohol, tobacco, or controlled substances are present, and he/she does not leave the premises upon discovering the nature of the gathering, he/she will be considered in the presence of alcohol, tobacco, or controlled substances and in violation of the athletic code. The intent is not to deny participation with adult family members or parental family friends at gatherings such as weddings, anniversaries, picnics, or well-publicized community events.
- F. Presence in a bar or tavern without a parent or legal guardian present.

ATHLETIC CODE AODA CONSEQUENCES

1. First Offense: a student-athlete will miss 25% of the current season or the next season they participate.
2. Second Offense: a student-athlete will miss 50% of the current season or the next season they participate.
3. Third Offense: a student-athlete will miss the entire season, or the next season they participate.