

ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR EXTRACURRICULAR OR INTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

1. Attendance:

A student must be in school all day in order to participate in extracurricular or intracurricular activities, including practice. This includes all school-sponsored activities that are not a part of the regular day. Doctor or dental appointments are excused if the student has a slip signed by the doctor or dentist. Special cases may be reviewed by the administration.

2. Possession/Use Violations for Athletic Activities:

In order to assure high quality student health and performance, the board has developed the following rules for those students who wish to participate in school-sponsored athletic activities. The rules apply to all athletic activities sponsored by the Garretson School District. Students involved in athletic activities at Garretson School shall not use or possess any form of alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or controlled substances. The Possession/Use Policy will be enforced the entire year, which includes the summer months, regardless of whether or not the student is participating in an activity at the time. Students will be held accountable for athletic activity eligibility for the year, even if the infraction occurs between seasons or during summer vacation.

A student in violation of this policy will receive the appropriate punishment as it applies to all current athletic activities in which the student is involved. If the student is not involved in any current athletic activities at the time of the violation, the punishment will be assigned to the next athletic activity or season in which the student is a participant. An infraction occurring at the end of any athletic activity season will result in the loss of eligibility to be carried into the next athletic activity season in which the student is a participant.

The consequences for violating the Possession/Use Policy are as follows:

- a. The first violation of the Possession/Use Policy at the Garretson School will result in the loss of eligibility for the next two (2) consecutive interscholastic events or two (2) weeks of a season in which the student is a participant, whichever is greater. The loss of eligibility will begin at the next scheduled event. The student will be referred to the school counselor or community agency for potential chemical abuse and misuse assessment.
- b. The second violation of the Possession/Use Policy at the Garretson School will result in the loss of eligibility for the next six (6) consecutive interscholastic events or four (4) weeks, whichever is greater. The loss of eligibility will begin at the next scheduled event. Before the student is readmitted to an activity, he/she shall receive counseling from the school counselor, community agency, or a professional counselor.
- c. The third violation of the Possession/Use Policy at the Garretson School will result in the termination of eligibility for all activities for a period of one (1) year from the date of the infraction. Each subsequent violation will result in a loss of eligibility for a period of one (1) year from the date of that infraction.
- d. Penalties shall be accumulative beginning with and throughout grades 7-12 at the Garretson School. Penalties will apply to all athletic activities the student participates in at the Middle School, Junior Varsity, and Varsity level. Dismissal from a team/squad will result in forfeiture of any earned awards for the applicable season.
- e. Individuals on suspension may practice and travel with an athletic activity at the advisor's discretion.
- f. The administration and/or advisor of an athletic activity involved has the right to take disciplinary action for any conduct unbecoming a student/athlete.

3. Possession/Use Violation for Fine Arts Activities:

In order to assure high quality student health and performance, the board has developed the following rules for those students who wish to be involved in Fine Arts activities. Students involved in Fine Arts activities at Garretson School shall not use or possess any form of alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or controlled substances. The Possession/Use Policy will be enforced the entire year, which includes the summer months, regardless of whether or not the student is participating in an activity at the time. Students will be held accountable for Fine Arts activity eligibility for the year, even if the infraction occurs between Fine Arts activities or during summer vacation.

A student in violation of this policy will receive the appropriate punishment as it applies to all current Fine Arts activities in which the student is involved. If the student is not involved in any current Fine Arts activities at the time of the violation, the punishment will be assigned to the next Fine Arts activity in which the student is a participant.

The consequences for violating the Possession/Use Policy are as follows:

Note: These consequences do not pertain to Pep Band performances.

- a. The first violation of the Possession/Use Policy at the Garretson School will result in the loss of eligibility for the next one (1) event, performance, or competition following the violation.
- b. The second and all subsequent violations of the Possession/Use Policy at the Garretson School will result in the loss of eligibility for the next two (2) events, performances, or competitions following the most recent violation.
- c. Penalties shall be accumulative beginning with and throughout grades 7-12 at the Garretson School. Penalties will apply to all Fine Arts activities the student participates in at the Middle School, Junior Varsity, and Varsity level. Dismissal from a team/squad will result in forfeiture of any earned awards for the applicable event, performance, or competition.
- d. Individuals on suspension may practice and travel with a Fine Arts activity at the advisor's discretion.
- e. The administration and/or advisor of an activity involved has the right to take disciplinary action for any conduct unbecoming a student/performer.

4. Possession/Use Violation for FFA/FHA:

In order to assure high quality student health and performance, the board has developed the following rules for those students who wish to be involved in FFA/FHA activities. Students involved in FFA/FHA activities at Garretson School shall not use or possess any form of alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or controlled substances. The Possession/Use Policy will be enforced the entire year, which includes the summer months, regardless of whether or not the student is participating in a FFA/FHA activity at the time. Students will be held accountable for FFA/FHA activity eligibility for the year, even if the infraction occurs between FFA/FHA activities or during summer vacation.

A student in violation of this policy will receive the appropriate punishment as it applies to all current FFA/FHA activities in which the student is involved. If the student is not involved in any current FFA/FHA activities at the time of the violation, the punishment will be assigned to the next FFA/FHA activity in which the student is a participant.

The consequences for violating the Possession/Use Policy are as follows:

- a. The first violation of the Possession/Use Policy at the Garretson School will result in the loss of eligibility for the next one (1) event, performance, or competition following the violation.
- b. The second violation of the Possession/Use Policy at the Garretson School will result in the loss of eligibility for the next two (2) events, performances, or competitions following the violation.

- c. The third and all subsequent violations of the Possession/Use Policy at the Garretson School will result in the loss of eligibility for the next three (3) events, performances, or competitions following the most recent violation.
- d. Penalties shall be accumulative beginning with and throughout grades 9-12 at the Garretson School. Penalties will apply to all FFA/FHA activities the student participates in. Dismissal from a team/squad will result in forfeiture of any earned awards for the applicable event, performance, or competition.

5. SDHSAA Policy:

Any person adjudicated, convicted, the subject of an informal adjustment of court-approved juvenile diversion program, or the subject of a suspended imposition of sentence for possession, use, or distribution of controlled drugs or substances or marijuana as defined in chapter 22-42, or for ingesting, inhaling, or otherwise taking into the body any substances as prohibited by 22-42-15, is ineligible to participate in any extracurricular activity at any secondary school accredited by the Department of Education for one (1) calendar year from the date of adjudication, conviction, diversion, or suspended imposition of sentence. The one (1) year suspension may be reduced to sixty (60) school days if the person participates in an assessment with a certified chemical dependency counselor or completes an accredited intensive prevention or treatment program. If the assessment indicates the need for a higher level of care, the student is required to complete the prescribed program before becoming eligible to participate in extracurricular activities. Upon a subsequent adjudication, conviction, diversion, or suspended imposition of sentence for possession, use, or distribution of controlled drugs or substances or marijuana as defined in chapter 22-42, or for ingesting, inhaling, or otherwise taking into the body any substances as prohibited by 22-42-15, by a court of competent jurisdiction, that person is ineligible to participate in any extracurricular activity at any secondary school accredited by the Department of Education. Upon such a determination in any juvenile court proceeding, the Unified Judicial System shall give notice of that determination to the South Dakota High School Activities Association and the chief administrator of the school in which the person is participating in any extracurricular activity. Upon placement of the person in an informal adjustment or court-approved juvenile diversion program, the state's attorney who placed the person in that program shall give notice of that placement to the South Dakota High School Activities Association and chief administrator of the school in which the person is participating in any extracurricular activity. As used in this section, the term extracurricular activity means any activity sanctioned by the South Dakota High School Activities Association.

6. Application of Above Rules:

All the above rules concerning eligibility rules for all extracurricular or intracurricular activities sponsored by the Garretson School District apply if the violation report is made by the following:

- A Garretson School administrator
- A certified Garretson School staff member
- A classified Garretson School staff member
- A law enforcement agency, or member of
- Individual's voluntary admission