

Palm Springs Unified School District
CODE OF CONDUCT
For all Athletes/Students involved in Extra Curricular Activities

The way in which an athlete presents him/herself on and off campus reflects directly on the athletic program. Athletes should refrain from moral conduct not considered acceptable by the community and from violating state statutes and city ordinances. An athlete should refrain from any conduct that reflects unfavorably on Desert Hot Springs High School.

Behavior contrary to the above criteria will be reviewed by the coaching staff and may result in disciplinary action and/or removal from the team.

1. The Code of Conduct applies to a violation of a major infraction. Major infractions are defined in Education Code Section 48900(a-m), 48900.2, 48900.3 and 48900.4.
 - a. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person.
 - b. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any firearm, knife, explosive, or other dangerous object.
 - c. Possessed, used, sold, or otherwise furnished, or been under the influence of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or other intoxicant of any kind.
 - d. Offered or arranged or negotiated to sell any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid, substance, or material and represented the liquid, substance or material as a controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant.
 - e. Committed robbery or extortion.
 - f. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property.
 - g. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property.
 - h. Possessed or used tobacco or any product containing tobacco or nicotine products.
 - i. Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity.
 - j. Had unlawful possession of, offered, arranged or negotiated to sell any drug paraphernalia.
 - k. Disrupted school activities or willfully defied the authority of school personnel.
 - l. Knowingly received stolen school property or private property.
 - m. Possessed an imitation firearm.
 - Ed. Code 48900.2 Sexual Harassment
 - Ed. Code 48900.3 Hate Violence
 - Ed. Code 48900.4 Intentional Harassment

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2. Consequences: For violation of Code of Conduct as noted above.

- a. On the first offense students will be removed from all co-curricular and extracurricular activities for thirty (30) school days. On the second and subsequent offense, students will be removed from all co-curricular and extracurricular activities for the remainder of the current semester and the following semester.
 - b. Additionally, U.S.B. and grade level officers (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and all Commissioners) shall be removed from office for the remainder of the school year.
 - c. Students in co-curricular activities may remain in the class but may not represent the school in outside performances or competitions. (Teachers would be responsible to modify the curriculum to provide a successful educational experience.)
 - d. During their period of exclusion, students will be permitted to remain in clubs as members. Students may not, however, hold and office, participate in competitions or performances that represent their school.
 - e. Students who are not involved in co-curricular or extracurricular activities will be ineligible to participate, as defined above for thirty (30) school days.
 - f. Definition of school days: School days shall commence on the first student day of the fall semester and proceed through the last student day of the spring semester. In addition, school days attended during summer school session are considered school days. Holidays, weekends, vacation periods, etc. do not count as school days. The counting of school days shall continue from fall to spring semester.
 - g. Students may participate in U.S.B. election activities provided they are eligible to participate or to take office on the first day of the regular school year. Students may try out for pep provided they are eligible to participate the following year.
 - h. Students seeking to participate in sports will be permitted to try out when their suspension is complete in accordance with C.I.F. rules and regulations.
3. Appeal Process: All decisions may be appealed based upon review of due process by presenting a formal letter to the school principal within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of notification of the decision to remove a student from, or to designate a student ineligible for, any co-curricular and extracurricular activity. The principal will review the appeal and render a decision within five (5) working days. Students are ineligible to participate in co-curricular or extracurricular activities while an appeal is being processed.

ATHLETE'S CODE OF ETHICS

Athletics is an integral part of the school's total educational program. All school activities, curricular and extra-curricular, in the classroom and on the playing field, must be congruent with the school's stated goals and objectives established for the intellectual, physical, social and moral development of its students. It is within this context that the following Code of Ethics is presented. As an athlete, I understand that it is my responsibility to:

1. Place academic achievement as the highest priority.
2. Show respect for teammates, opponents, officials and coaches.
3. Respect the integrity and judgment of game officials.
4. Exhibit fair play, sportsmanship and proper conduct on and off the playing field.
5. Maintain a high level of safety awareness.
6. Refrain from the use of profanity, vulgarity and other offensive language and gestures.
7. Adhere to the established rules and standards of the game to be played.
8. Respect all equipment and use it safely and appropriately.
9. Refrain from the use of alcohol, tobacco, illegal and non-prescription drugs, anabolic steroids or any substance to increase physical development or performance that is not approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration, Surgeon General of the United States of American Medical Association.
10. Know and follow all state, section and school athletic rules and regulations as they pertain to eligibility and sports participation.
11. Win with character, lose with dignity.

Parent's Signature

Date

Athlete's Signature

Date

Any deviation from these rules will result in a parent conference and further disciplinary action and/or removal from the team.