

STUDENTS

Monticello High School Music Code of Conduct

- I. An administrator, faculty member, or law enforcement official who has reliable information from any source, including from his/her personal observation, that an music student has violated these music student conduct rules, shall promptly notify the Assistant Principal/Activities Director (AP/AD) of the violation and the circumstances.

The Assistant Principal/Activities Director (AP/AD) shall investigate the occurrence which gives rise to the charge. If the Assistant Principal/Activities Director (AP/AD) determines that discipline may be warranted, based upon the facts as determined by his/her investigation, he/she shall conduct an informal meeting with the student, at which time he/she shall:

1. give the student oral notice of the charge; and
2. in the event the music student denies the charge, give the student an explanation of the evidence and facts leading to the charge, and an opportunity to present his/her version.

If the Assistant Principal/Activities Director (AP/AD) determines the allegations to be true, he/she shall temporarily suspend the student from participation in all extracurricular music events until a meeting is held by the Music Committee, as provided herein.

II. Action by Music Committee

- A. Committee will consist of: Assistant Principal/Activities Director (AP/AD) and the music staff of the high school.
 1. The Committee will meet within one week from said offense with music student, unless school is not in session, then the Committee would meet in the first week after returning to school. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the student's behavior and to determine whether the offense occurred. If the Committee believes that an offense has been committed then it shall impose the penalty provided by the rules.
 2. If dissatisfied with the decision of the Committee, the student and/or parent or guardian may request a hearing before the principal to review the Committee's decision.
 - a. The Committee, including Assistant Principal/Activities Director (AP/AD), student and parent/guardian may be present. The Assistant Principal/Activities Director (AP/AD) shall present the evidence against the student. The parent or student may present the evidence that they have.

b. The principal will make the final decision.

III. Any music student using or in possession of tobacco, illegal drugs (for purposes of this policy, look-a-like drugs, tobacco, or paraphernalia) and alcohol or committing any action which would constitute a violation of any criminal or civil ordinance or law will fall under this policy. Students violating this provision at any time or in any place shall receive penalties listed below. Attendance at a party where alcohol and/or drugs are being used/consumed is prohibited. Family activities and other formal gatherings where there is parental supervision and/or circumstances beyond the control of the student will not be considered as violating this code as long as the student is not in possession of, or using alcohol, drugs, or tobacco (i.e. wedding receptions, family reunions, professional sporting events, bowling alleys, pizza parlors, etc). Riding in a vehicle where alcohol or drugs are being transported or consumed is prohibited. **This is a year-round policy including when a student is in or out of school.**

A. **First Offense:**

1. Suspension from interscholastic competition at next music contest.
2. To assist the suspended student to be properly prepared and remain activity-knowledgeable, the music student will be required to practice and complete the season or semester in good standing with the Directors.
3. All honors will be forfeited.

B. **Repeat Offenses:**

Elimination from all extracurricular music activities for one calendar year from the date of the school's determination of the violation.

IV. At no time will a student's grade be lowered due to serving suspensions/penalties arising from this Music Code of Conduct.

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