

# Document Status: Draft Update

## STUDENTS

### 7:240 Conduct Code for Participants in Co-Curricular Activities

The Building Principal, using input from coaches and sponsors of Co-curricular activities, shall develop a conduct code for all participants in Co-curricular activities consistent with Board of Education policy and the rules adopted by any association in which the School District maintains a membership. The conduct code shall: (1) require participants in extracurricular activities to conduct themselves as good citizens and exemplars of their school at all times, including after school, on days when school is not in session, and whether on or off school property; (2) emphasize that hazing and bullying activities are strictly prohibited; and (3) notify participants that failure to abide by it could result in discipline, up to and including removal from the activity. Participants who violate the conduct code will be allowed to give an explanation before being progressively disciplined. The conduct code shall be reviewed by the Building Principal periodically at his or her discretion and presented to the Board.

Participants in extracurricular activities must abide by the conduct code for the activity and Board policy 7:190, *Student Behavior*. All coaches and sponsors of extracurricular activities shall annually review the conduct code with participants and provide participants with a copy. In addition, coaches and sponsors of interscholastic athletic programs shall provide instruction on steroid abuse prevention to students in grades 7 through 8 participating in these programs.

#### LEGAL REF.:

Mahanoy Area Sch. Dist. v. B.L., 141 S.Ct. 2038 594 U.S. 180 (2021). [PRESSPlus1](#)

*Bd. of Educ. of Independent Sch. Dist. No. 92 v. Earls*, 536 U.S. 822 (2002).

*Vernonia Sch. Dist. 475 v. Acton*, 515 U.S. 646 (1995).

*Clements v. Bd. of Educ. of Decatur*, 133 Ill.App.3d 531 (4th Dist. 1985).

*Kevin Jordan v. O'Fallon THSD* 203, 302 Ill.App.3d 1070 (5th Dist. 1999).

*Todd v. Rush County Schs.*, 133 F.3d 984 (7th Cir. 1998).

105 ILCS 5/24-24, and 5/27-255(d) 23.3, and 25/2.

CROSS REF.: 5:280 (Duties and Qualifications), 6:190 (Co-Curricular Activities), 7:180 (Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment), 7:190 (Student Behavior), 7:300 (Co-curricular Athletics)

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### PRESSPlus Comments

PRESSPlus 1. The Legal References are updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/27-255(d), renumbered by P.A. 104-391, and for continuous improvement. **Issue 121, March 2026**

