INSTRUCTION

Conduct in Athletic Contests

I. Any middle or high school participant who is ejected from an athletic contest for unsportsmanlike conduct (flagrant fouls, cursing, fighting, etc.) shall be unable to reenter that particular contest and is ineligible for the teams’ next scheduled event. For engaging in fighting, biting, or aggressive physical contact a player shall be ineligible for the next three scheduled events (Virginia High School League 27-11-6; National Federation of State High School Associations Sportmanship Online Course 30-5-1 (13)). Additionally, each coach shall take appropriate disciplinary action with the student and a memo of record shall be maintained by the school and a copy sent to the Supervisor of Student Activities in the Office of Student Learning and the appropriate Level Associate Superintendent. The memo shall include the reason why the student was ejected from the contest and the disciplinary action taken by the coach. In the event that the appropriate disciplinary measures cannot be applied in the course of the current year, it shall be carried over to the next season.

II. Any coach or assistant coach who is ejected from an athletic contest shall be barred from that contest and the next scheduled event. The principal shall be responsible for sending a memo of record to the appropriate Level Associate Superintendent.

III. Any coach who demonstrates that he or she cannot control the actions of his or her respective players in any given situation shall be immediately subject to administrative discipline.

IV. Any flagrant action on the part of a player, coach, or assistant coach shall be evaluated and may result in expulsion of the person from either playing or coaching in Prince William County Public Schools.

V. Any substitute players and bench personnel entering the playing field or court during a verbal and/or physical altercation will be ineligible for the next two scheduled events (Virginia High School League 27-11-12 (3)).

VI. Principals shall be held directly accountable for the communication of this regulation. Principals shall hold the director of student activities and athletic coordinators directly responsible for the conduct of coaches and players.

The Associate Superintendent for Student Learning and Accountability and the Level Associate Superintendents (or designee) shall be responsible for implementing and monitoring this regulation.

This regulation and related policy shall be reviewed at least every five years and revised as needed.

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