

**Howard High School**  
**Athletic Mission Statement**

Athletics is an integral part of the educational experience at Howard High. We believe that students must be aware that athletic participation requires a commitment to their team, school, coaches, and more importantly, themselves.

Athletic Participation is a privilege, not a right. Therefore, athletes must be aware that the following policies govern athletic participation at Howard High School.

1. Any athlete suspended from school for the possession or use of alcohol, other drugs, non-controlled substances, and inhalants will be prohibited from participating in all extra-curricular activities for 30 school days commencing with the beginning of the student's suspension.
2. Weapons – For the first violation of this policy the student will be suspended for a minimum of 45 days or the remainder of the semester, whichever is greater. In addition, the student will be ineligible for participating in extra-curricular activities for the remainder of the current grading period and the next athletic grading period.
3. Any athlete suspended from school will not participate in the next contest without at least one day of normal practice.
4. Any athlete with an unexcused absence from class or school is ineligible to practice or compete that day.
5. Any athlete displaying inappropriate sportsmanship may be removed from athletic participation.
6. Acts of humiliation or harassment of any individual by another are totally unacceptable. Parents violating this policy may be banned from all athletic events and/or practices for the remainder of the school year. Board Policy #3445.

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