

STUDENT CONDUCT ACTIVITY RULES - ATTENDANCE

Brandon Valley School District believes an important consideration in the training of a student is regular attendance at all scheduled *practices, contests and performances*. Therefore, the student is expected to attend all practices and contests or performances.

- A. AN EXCUSED ABSENCE is defined as:
 - 1. Illness
 - 2. Medical appointments
 - 3. School activities
 - 4. Family emergencies
- B. Absence for the convenience of the family, requested by the parent, may be granted by the activities director, when there is an understanding between the activities director, the coach/advisor, the student, and the parent making the request. Such a request, and the response, must be made in writing, at least one week in advance of the absence, in order for that absence to be considered excused. ***A student will sit out a minimum of one contest date or performance upon a return from such absence. Depending upon the length of the absence and number of days missed, a coach or director may require a longer time out of contests or performances. This decision shall be part of the communication at the time of the absence request.***
- C. AN UNEXCUSED ABSENCE. If a student's absence(s) is deemed to be unexcused, the coach/advisor shall notify the parent/guardian of the absence and the penalty, within two days following the absence. The coach/advisor shall also send written notification to the activities director that the parent/guardian contact has been made, with notification to include absence date and penalty.
 - 1. First Violation: The student will not be allowed to participate in the next contest or performance.
 - 2. Second Violation: Student may be dismissed from that activity for that season and shall not be eligible for awards.
- D. In order to participate in an extracurricular activity, a student must be in class three consecutive periods prior to dismissal time on the day of that activity unless approved by the activities director or principal.

All other rules or regulations adopted by the head coach and approved by the Activities Director, which in or of themselves are not basis for a suspension or dismissal, shall be followed provided participants are notified of such rules and regulations by written handout or posting on bulletin boards at least two weeks prior to the beginning of that rule/regulation.