



OGDEN COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Activities Handbook

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VISION STATEMENT

The Ogden Community School District is committed to being a destination district, emphasizing student success in a safe, nurturing environment, and ensuring students have the character and competencies needed for tomorrow's opportunities.

MISSION STATEMENT

Engage, Educate, Empower

Ogden Community Schools will ensure a culture of excellence where every student is engaged, educated, and ultimately empowered with the skills necessary to thrive.

This handbook is a general source of information and may not include every possible situation that could arise. It is not intended and does not constitute a contract between the school district and employees. It is the employee's responsibility to refer to the district policies and/or administration procedures for further information. Whenever the provisions of this handbook are in conflict with those of a board-adopted policy, an applicable collective bargaining agreement, or any other formal employment contract, the terms of the policy, collective bargaining agreement, and/or employment contract shall govern.

Although every effort will be made to update the handbook on a timely basis, the district reserves the right, and has the sole discretion, to change any policies, procedures, benefits, and terms of employment without notice, consultation, or publication, except as may be required by contractual agreements and law. The district reserves the right, and has the sole discretion, to modify or change any portion of this handbook at any time.

PARENTS'/GUARDIANS' RIGHTS NOTIFICATION

As a parent of a student who attends a public school district receiving Title I funds, you have the right to inquire and receive information about the qualifications of your child's teacher. If your child is taught by a non-highly qualified teacher for a period of four or more consecutive weeks, you will be notified.

Parents/Guardian may request this information from the Office of the Superintendent by calling 515-275-2894 or sending a letter of request to the Office of the Superintendent, 732 W. Division Street, Ogden, Iowa 50212.

NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION

The Ogden Community School District offers career and technical programs in the following areas of study: Manufacturing; Business; Agriculture; Hospitality, Tourism & Management.

It is the policy of the Ogden Community School District not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, religion, creed, age (for employment), marital status (for programs), sexual orientation, gender identity and socioeconomic status (for programs) in its educational programs and its employment practices. There is a grievance procedure for processing complaints of discrimination. If you have questions or a grievance related to this policy please contact Derek Carlson, Ogden High School, 732 W. Division St., Ogden, IA 50212, 515-275-4034, derek.carlson@ogden.k12.ia.us.

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Ogden Community School District

Student Activities Handbook

1. Introduction

This Student Activities Handbook has been prepared for the benefit of the student, parents, and the coaches or directors in an effort to make interscholastic activities a contributing and worthwhile part of our total school program. We believe that our activities program is an integral part of our total school program and that participation is a PRIVILEGE. As such, it provides certain opportunities and emphasizes definite goals that are difficult to duplicate or achieve in other high school activities or later in life. It is our desire that activities be an enriching and healthful experience in which physical, mental, and social growth can be stimulated. A student-parent conference, in which the rules of this handbook are read and discussed, will help to bring about a greater understanding of the aims and objectives of the District activities program. Students must be willing to accept training rules, regulations, and responsibilities that are unique to our activities program. In accordance with Board Policies of the Ogden Community School District and state associations, enforcement of this handbook is the joint responsibility of the school, parents, and participants.

2. Good Conduct Rule [Board Policy 503.4]

To be eligible to represent Ogden Community School District in any co-curricular activity, the student must:

- a. Be considered by the Administration, a representative of Ogden's standards of conduct and sportsmanship.
- b. Maintain academic eligibility. (This policy is described later.)
- c. Be under the age of twenty (20).
- d. Maintain amateur status.
- e. Have a physical examination yearly as confirmed on the physical examination form prior to participation in athletics, including cheerleading. Complete the concussion protocol prior to each season in which a student athlete participates in an activity. This will be according to the Iowa High School Athletic Association and the Iowa Girls Athletic Union.
- f. Have the parent/guardian review the Activities Handbook and sign the Ogden High School Pre-season Information form prior to participation.
- g. Iowa athletes are allowed eight (8) consecutive semesters of participation.
- h. Attend a student handbook review assembly or make up meeting with the AD.

3. Personal Conduct

All participants shall conduct themselves in such a way as to reflect positively on themselves, their families, and school while representing Ogden on and off the field, abiding by the Ogden Activity Code.

4. School Attendance Requirements [Board Policy Series 501]

A. A participant is expected to maintain regular school attendance as a prerequisite to participation in activities.

B. The following policy must be adhered to relating to school attendance:

1. A student must be present for the entire school day to participate in activities (plays, musicals, speech, athletics, cheerleading, etc.) Students will receive one warning on their first tardy to school. Upon a second offense the student shall not be permitted to participate in activities during the school day. Any period missed that is not preapproved in the office will disqualify the student from participation that day.
2. Exceptions are made for appointments provided that students notify the office of their absence and are excused by either the principal or AD. If excused for an appointment, the student must provide a note from the provider upon return to school.
 - a. The school determines whether an absence is excused, unexcused or a truancy. **Excused absences** include, but are not limited to, personal illness; serious illness, injury or death of a family member; family or personal emergencies approved by the principal; recognized religious observances; medical/dental/business appointments which cannot be made other than during school time; funerals; court appearance; needed at home by a parent (on a limited basis); suspension from school; and other reasons which can be justified from an educational standpoint with approval from the principal. Classes missed because of attendance at a school-sponsored activity will not be considered an absence; however, the student will be required to make up missed work. Students may be required to provide a signed doctor's excuse for excused absences.
3. While in school, students must attend class. Students who are in the building, but declared absent from class will not be permitted to participate in activities on that day.

C. Students will not be allowed to compete in a contest/activity, if on the day of the event, they have:

1. Been excused for illness.
2. Been suspended from school (in school or out-of-school)
3. An UNEXCUSED absence from school.

D.. Home-school students are exempt from OHS school attendance requirements.

5. Locker Rooms and Care of Equipment

- a. The locker rooms are for players and coaches or sponsors only.
 - b. There shall be no horseplay in the locker rooms at any time.
 - c. Locker rooms are to be kept clean.
 - d. Each student is responsible for the proper care and safekeeping of the equipment issued.
- Lockers must be secured with a lock provided by the district before and after practices and/or competition.

- e. The full replacement cost of school issued apparel or equipment that is lost or stolen must be paid to the AD's office or to the coach or sponsor in charge.
- f. No participant will be allowed to practice for another sport until all equipment and/or uniform obligations are cleared up with the student's previous coach.
- g. School-owned apparel and equipment is to be worn only at District scheduled practices and competitions unless specifically cleared by the coach.

6. Transportation Regulations [Board Policy 711.3]

Participants must travel to and from contests in transportation provided by the Ogden Community School District.

The exceptions are:

- a. Injury to a participant that would require alternate transportation.
- b. Parents make prior arrangements with the coach in advance of the trip by having the approved travel reason on file with the coach on the day of the trip.
- c. The participant will be released to the parent(s) by the coach upon the parent(s) signing the approved travel release at the contest.
- d. It is in the discretion of the coach or sponsor to decide whether a student should be allowed to ride home with a parent if the parent approaches a coach at an away contest and requests his/her son/daughter ride home with the parents. The parent must sign the proper form as well.
- e. In no case will a participant be allowed to ride home with another student.

Students are considered "good will" ambassadors for Ogden both on and off the playing field. Students who miss the bus to an activity will not be permitted to dress or participate in that activity unless the coach or sponsor in his/her sole discretion decides that a valid emergency beyond the control of the student exists. The students involved will pay for any damage to buses caused by students. The students may also be dismissed from the group they are representing.

7. Equal Educational Opportunity [Board Policy 102]

Students, parents, employees and others doing business with or performing services for the Ogden Community School District are hereby notified that this school district does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, age (except students), religion, national origin, creed, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity or disability in admission or access to, or treatment in, its programs and activities.

The school will follow a process of sharing pertinent medical information using the direction from the school nurse with program leaders and coaching staff to ensure safety of students and provide awareness to coaches of participant needs.

The school district does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, age (except students), religion, national origin, creed, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or disability in admission or access to, or treatment in, its hiring and employment practices. Any person having inquiries concerning the school district's compliance with the regulations implementing Title VI, Title VII, Title IX, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), §

504 or *Iowa Code* § 280.3 is directed to contact:

Ogden Middle/High School Principal
Ogden Community School District
732 W Division St.,
Ogden, IA 50212
515-275-4034

Who has been designated by the school district to coordinate the school district's efforts to comply with the regulations implementing Title VI, Title VII, Title IX, the ADA, § 504 and *Iowa Code* § 280.3

8. Attendance for Activities [Board Policy Series 501]

- a. Students are required to attend all practices and games or activities in the sport or activity in which they are a part, unless specifically excused by the coach or director of that activity.
- b. The coach or director in charge of the activity shall determine the validity of the excuse. The coach or director is expected to apply this policy in a fair and uniform manner.
- c. Students shall inform the coach or director, in advance, of the reason for the student's need to be absent as a condition of being excused. Prior notice would not be required in case of sudden illness or emergency, but an attempt to notify the coach would be highly appreciated.
- d. Attendance of assigned members at games or performances is compulsory, except for sickness or emergency.
- e. In case of conflict between two activities the AD and/or Principal will determine which activity takes precedence by using the following set of criteria:
 - 1. State events including sectional, district, regional, or sub-state shall have top priority.
 - 2. If a conflict exists because of postponement, the rescheduled event shall have the lowest priority unless it is a state event.
 - 3. A scheduled event shall have priority over a practice session.
 - 4. In the case of athletic practice conflicts, a sport in season will have priority over a sport not yet in playing season.
 - 5. If local events (those not assigned by the state) are scheduled on the same date, the coach and /or sponsor of the activities will communicate well in advance to resolve the conflict for the student. In no case shall a student ever be placed in a position of conflict by the coach and /or sponsor.
 - 6. Coaches and sponsors shall have the right to mutually resolve any student conflict between themselves in spite of the above guidelines.
 - 7. In cases where a conflict cannot be resolved, the Athletic Director and/or Principal, after consulting with the coach and/or sponsor, will resolve the conflict.
- i. To earn a letter award in a sport or activity, the student must finish the season and meet the lettering criteria put out by the coach or sponsor.

- j. After the first two weeks of any season, students will not be allowed to drop one sport and participate in another sport during that season.

Any decision in the previously named areas may be appealed to the AD, then to the high school principal, then to the Superintendent of Schools, and then to the Ogden School Board. An appeal at any level must be filed not more than 15 days after a decision is rendered. An appeal does not stay the action taken.

9. Training Rules

Coaches and directors may establish and enforce reasonable rules for the participants in the activity they coach or direct. Such rules must be written, discussed, and given to each participant. These rules will also be discussed and given to the AD and/or to the Principal in advance of the season to determine reasonableness and fairness.

All participants in activities are to adhere to the rules prescribed by the coach or director. Deviation from these rules may be cause for dismissal from the activity.

10. Student Insurance [Board Policy 507.6]

All participants in athletics and cheerleading are recommended to secure health and accident insurance at the participant's own expense. A group insurance plan is available through local Insurance companies for those students and parents who may be interested.

11. Unauthorized Possession of School-Owned Equipment

No Ogden student shall have in his/her possession any school-owned equipment, from an Ogden school or from any other school except that equipment specifically checked out to the student by the Ogden District. At no time is school equipment to be worn in public, except for practice, games/meets/performances or authorized by the coach or director. The District may also prosecute students with stolen equipment.

12. Process for 8th Graders Participating in High School Activities

As of the 2026–2027 school year, pursuant to House File 2591, eighth-grade students are eligible to participate in high school athletics. While HF 2591 establishes statewide eligibility, the Iowa State Board of Education has affirmed that local school districts retain authority over athletic rosters, coaching assignments, and team selection decisions.

This administrative guidance outlines the District's procedures for considering eighth-grade student-athletes for participation in high school athletics. Ogden Community School District is committed to providing high-quality middle school athletic opportunities. As a result, eighth-grade students will only be considered for high school participation when it is determined to be in the best interest of both the student and the athletic program, and when all parties fully understand the eligibility and participation implications.

Prior to signing the participation agreement, administrators, coaches, parents, and students must understand the following:

- **Forfeiture of Middle School Participation:** Upon signing the agreement and being placed on a high school roster (Freshman, Sophomore, Junior Varsity, or Varsity), the student-athlete forfeits all remaining eligibility to participate on the middle school team for that sport during that season. The student may not return to the middle school team or "play down" at any point during the season.
- **Physical and Safety Considerations:** Parents and student-athletes must acknowledge the significant differences in size, strength, speed, and maturity that may exist between an eighth-grade student and older high school athletes. Participation at the high school level may increase the risk of injury, particularly in contact and collision sports.
- **Academic Eligibility:** Under Iowa Department of Education guidance, the state's traditional "No Pass, No Play" requirement for high school students does not automatically apply to eighth-grade students participating in high school athletics. However, the student remains subject to all District middle school academic eligibility and attendance requirements.
- **Pre-Participation Physical:** A current pre-participation physical examination must be on file with the Activities Office. The examining medical provider must clear the student for participation in high school-level athletic competition.

Process for Eighth-Grade Participation

For an eighth-grade student to participate in high school athletics, the following process must be completed:

1. **Coach Recommendation:** The varsity head coach identifies the student-athlete and initiates the request for consideration.
2. **Administrative Meeting:** The Activities Director schedules a meeting with the varsity head coach, the student-athlete, and the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) to review expectations, eligibility implications, and the transition process.
3. **Agreement Execution:** The student-athlete may not participate in high school athletics until the participation agreement has been reviewed and signed by all required parties. Once the agreement has been executed and the student is placed on a high school roster, the student forfeits all remaining middle school eligibility for that sport during the current season.

The attached document outlines the complete process and includes the participation agreement for eighth-grade students participating in high school athletics.

[8th Grade to HS Eligibility Contract](#)

A. Purpose:

The purpose of the Eligibility Code is to establish and provide for the enforcement of academic standards and standards of conduct for students participating in co curricular activities in Grades 7 through 12 of the Ogden Community School District. Underlying this purpose is the premise that participation in co-curricular activities is a privilege to be earned not only by demonstrating a particular talent or ability but also by demonstrating exemplary conduct.

“Co-curricular activities” shall mean interscholastic athletic competition, music programs, student publications, cheerleading, drama and speech programs, homecoming appearances/performances, student government and all other school programs and activities in which students in Grades 7 through 12 may participate under the official sponsorship of the Ogden Community School District and for which no academic credit is awarded and which are not prerequisites for graduation from

Ogden Community High School.

B. Academic Standards [Board Policy Series 505]

1. State standards: A student must receive credit in at least 4 subjects at all times. Each contestant shall be passing all coursework for which credit is given and shall be making adequate progress toward graduation requirements at the end of each grading period. "Grading period" shall mean the period of time at the end of which a student in grades 9 through 12 receives a final grade and course credit is awarded for passing grades. If at the end of any grading period a contestant is given a failing grade in any course for which credit is awarded, the contestant is ineligible to dress for and compete in the next occurring interscholastic athletic contests and competitions in which the contestant is a contestant for 20 consecutive calendar days.

"Pass To Play" If the student who is ineligible for athletic competition is also involved in speech, drama, or music, the student will have a concurrent 20 consecutive calendar day period of ineligibility for any performance that is not a required class activity.
2. **Ogden Middle School/ High School Standards:** All participants in co-curricular activities shall be regular students of the school in good standing; shall be under 20 years of age; shall not be failing an academic course for the current period when class grades are computed. Class grades will be checked at the midpoint of each quarter and the end of each quarter; students who are failing an academic course will be declared ineligible to represent the school. At each eligibility check, students so declared ineligible will have their academic progress reevaluated one week after being declared ineligible and will be declared eligible until minimum academic standards are met.
3. State of Iowa Standards: At the semester grading period, when credit is determined/earned, any student failing a class will be ineligible to dress for and compete in interscholastic athletics for 20 consecutive calendar days if the student is a bona fide contestant of an athletic event during the school year. If the failure occurs at the conclusion of the second semester, the student is ineligible for 20 consecutive calendar days of the next sport where the student is a contestant. Those in charge of co-curricular activities will study the list of those students with academic deficiencies and personally counsel the ones they feel need help, contacting the teachers involved to determine what measures should be taken to help solve the deficiency.

C. Good Conduct Rule [Board Policy 503.4]

Any student whose conduct, either in or out of school, is such as to make him or her unworthy to represent the ideals, principles and standards of the Ogden Community Schools shall be declared ineligible to participate in co-curricular activities by the administration. It shall be the responsibility of all persons enrolled as students in Grades 7 - 12 of the Ogden Community School District to obey all governmental laws

and ordinances, to obey all policies, rules and regulations of the Ogden Community School District, including rules and regulations for the particular activity in which the student is participating, and to conduct themselves in a manner that will reflect credit to themselves, their school, and their community. This provision shall be in effect for the entire calendar year (365 days), both during the regular school year, as well as, all vacation periods. Participation in the following extra-curricular and co-curricular activities are subject to the Good Conduct Provision and these rules: Athletics, Instrumental and Vocal Music Contests, Drama Productions, Speech Contests, State Contests, Performances for Cheerleading, and any other activities where the student represents the school district outside the classroom. It shall be a violation of the Eligibility Code for any student to commit any of the following acts:

1. The commission of a crime under any governmental law or ordinance or if the student is placed on official or unofficial probation. However, commission of crimes involving motor vehicles that are classified as simple misdemeanors shall not be considered a violation of the Eligibility Code. A determination that a student has violated the Eligibility Code by the commission of a crime may be made without regard to whether the student is prosecuted or convicted of such crime by other public authorities.
2. The use, consumption, possession or distribution of alcoholic liquor, beer, tobacco (in any form), or of any controlled substance as defined in Chapter 204 of the Code of Iowa or of 'look-a-like' substances.
3. Violations or serious violations of any written rule or regulation adopted by the Board of Directors of the Ogden Community School District.
4. Being in attendance where the student knows or has reason to know that Items 1-3 from above have been violated and failing to leave promptly despite having a reasonable opportunity to do so.

D. Administration Investigation and Determination: If it is alleged by any person having supervisory authority over a student that such student has violated the Eligibility Code, the administration shall promptly investigate the factual circumstances relevant to such allegation and based upon such investigation, shall determine whether such student has in fact violated the Eligibility Code. Such investigation and determination shall not be limited by any formal rules of evidence or procedure. As part of the administrative investigation, the student shall be given notice, oral or written, of the charges and an opportunity to respond, but the administration shall not be required to afford the student an opportunity to secure counsel, to confront and cross-examine witnesses, or to call his/her own witnesses. If the student denies the charges, the student shall be given an explanation of the evidence against the student. The administration will conduct an investigation and make a determination even if the student is not currently out for an activity.

E. Notice to Parent/Guardian:

The administration, upon making a determination that a student has violated the Eligibility Code, shall promptly mail or deliver to the student's parent or guardian a written Notice of Violation of Eligibility Code that shall contain the following:

- The student's name and the names and addresses of the student's parents or guardians.
- A statement as to the time, place and circumstances of the violation the student is alleged to have committed.
- A statement describing the disciplinary action to be imposed upon the student for violating the Eligibility Code and the effective date on which such punishment shall commence.
- A statement that the administration's determination as to the student's violation of the Eligibility Code and the punishment imposed therefore shall become final and effective as stated, unless an appeal is taken to the Board of Directors of the Ogden Community Schools within five (5) calendar days of mailing or delivery of the notification.

F. Disciplinary Actions - Grades 7-12:

It should be noted that all terms and conditions of the consequences must be met before a student is eligible to participate in a representational capacity in the extracurricular or co-curricular activity in which he/she was or will be participating. An ineligible student shall attend all practices or rehearsals and remain in "good standing" with the coach or sponsor through the conclusion of the season or activity. The ineligible student will not "suit up" or perform/participate until the period of ineligibility has been completed. School officials have the discretion to deviate from the following "standard" consequences when doing so is deemed appropriate.

1. First Offense: The student will be suspended from competition for 25% of the current extra-curricular or co-curricular activity season (including any post season competition). If less than 25% of the activities remain, the period of ineligibility not served during that activity would be carried forward, on a prorated basis, to the next activity in which the individual regularly participates. If the student is not competing in an activity at the time of the violation, the penalty will be enforced during the next activity the student is involved in. The before-mentioned activity's season must be completed in good standing with the coach for the suspension to be served.

If a student voluntarily, in a good faith and honest manner, notifies the school of a violation of this policy, prior to being confronted by a school official, this period of ineligibility may be reduced by 50% of the scheduled performances. A student involved in two or more activities at the time of the suspension will be suspended for 25% of each activity season.

2. Second Offense: The student will be suspended from competition for 75% of the current extra-curricular or co-curricular activity season (including any post

season competition). If less than 75% of the activities remain, the period of ineligibility not served during that activity would be carried forward, on a pro-rated basis, to the next activity in which the individual regularly participates. If the student is not competing in an activity at the time of the violation, the penalty will be enforced during the next activity the student is involved in. The before-mentioned activity's season must be completed in good standing with the coach for the suspension to be served.

If a student voluntarily, in a good faith and honest manner, notifies the school of a violation of this policy, prior to being confronted by a school official, this period of ineligibility may be reduced by 50% of the scheduled performances. A student involved in two or more activities at the time of the suspension will be suspended for 75% of each activity season.

3. Third Offense: The student will be suspended from competition in all extracurricular or co-curricular activities for a period of one calendar year (including any post season competition), effective immediately. If the student is not competing in an activity at the time of the violation, the penalty will be enforced at the beginning of the next activity the student is involved in.

There is no self-reporting clause for the third offense.

4. Fourth Offense: The student will be suspended for the remainder of the student's high school career.

There is no self-reporting clause for the fourth offense.

5. Leadership positions: Students who have received more than one Good Conduct violation will be ineligible for activity/club/organizational leadership positions for the remainder of their high school career. This includes but is not limited to representing the school district on student council and National Honor Society.
6. If a student does not have a subsequent violation for twelve (12) consecutive calendar months after the last violation, the subsequent violation will be considered as a first violation. If a student is declared ineligible, but does not go out for an activity for twelve (12) consecutive calendar months after the violation, the student shall not be required to serve the penalty.
7. If a student consumes, possesses or distributes an alcoholic beverage or illegal drug at a practice or performance or is under the influence of an alcoholic beverage or illegal drug at a practice or performance, the student will be ineligible in all co-curricular activities in which he/she is participating as noted in 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 above and in addition shall be ineligible for the remainder of the season in the activity in which the violation occurred.
9. Ineligibility will generally be served in an activity in which the student

normally participates.

10. The student may also be required to attend counseling/assessment, with the type of counseling/assessment to be approved by the principal. Counseling/assessment services provided outside of the District's guidance program shall be the financial responsibility of the student's parents/guardians.

11. Felony Charges

1. Students charged with a felony as described in the Iowa Code will be subject to the following consequences:
 1. First Offense: Student will forfeit participation in all extracurricular activities for one calendar year. There is no self-reporting clause for felony charges.
 2. Second Offense: Student will forfeit participation in all extracurricular activities for the remainder of his/her high school career. There is no self-reporting clause for felony charges.

G. Consecutive Periods of Ineligibility:

If a student violates the Eligibility Code at a time when he or she is ineligible to participate in co-curricular activities by virtue of a prior violation, the period shall commence after the period of ineligibility for all prior violations end.

H. Non-School Sponsored Sports: [Board Policy 504.6]

Coaches, directors, or sponsors of school-sponsored activities should have a written policy in the team or club handbook explaining how conflicts with non-school sponsored activities will be handled.

I. Other Factors Relating to Eligibility:

1. ATTENDANCE: A student must be in school and attend classes all day of any scheduled event or practice in order to be eligible to participate, unless a reason for an absence is approved by the Administrator in advance -such as attending a funeral; medical, dental or counseling appointment; family emergencies. Students must also attend the required activities meeting.
2. DRESS: All Students Representing the school will be required to dress as prescribed by the faculty member responsible and approved by the administration.
3. OTHER RULES: Coaches and sponsors may make other reasonable rules as they relate to their activity as long as they are approved in advance by the administration.
4. STUDENT NOTIFICATION: Each activity sponsor shall provide each student with a copy of the Eligibility Code and any other rules that may pertain to their individual

activity.

5. TRANSFER STUDENTS: Any student declared ineligible under the prior school district's Good Conduct Rule, and then without having completed the full period of ineligibility at that school, transfers to the Ogden Community School District, will not be eligible for interscholastic competition at Ogden Community Schools until the full period of ineligibility has been completed. Once that time period of eligibility has been completed, the student is then immediately eligible for interscholastic competition at Ogden Community Schools as far as any Good Conduct Rule is concerned.

J. Appeal to the Board of Directors: [Board Policy 102]

If the principal determines that a student has violated the Eligibility Code and is, therefore, ineligible to participate in co-curricular activities for a certain period of time, the student shall have the right to appeal from such determination to the Board of Directors of the Ogden Community School District in accordance with the following provisions:

1. Within five (5) calendar days after the date on which the principal mails or delivers to the student's parent or guardian the Notice of Violation of Eligibility Code, and not later, the student or his/her parents or guardians shall deliver to the Secretary of the Board of Directors or to the Superintendent or to the principal a written notice of appeal stating the objections to the principal's determination and requesting an oral hearing thereon before the Board of Directors.
2. The President of the Board of Directors shall schedule a meeting of the Board of Directors for a time within five (5) days after receipt of the written notice of appeal and shall give not less than two (3) days written or oral notice of the time, date and place of such meeting to the student's parents or guardians unless the appeal is withdrawn in writing.
3. The hearing procedures provided for expulsion procedures under Ogden Community School District Board Policy 502.8 shall be followed.
4. A written appeal by the student or parent/guardian from the principal's determination shall NOT stay the operation of the punishment imposed in the Notice of Violation of Eligibility Code while the appeal is pending. If the Board upholds the principal's determination, the period of ineligibility shall commence upon the Board's vote to uphold the determination.
5. If the student is dissatisfied with the decision of the Board of Directors, an appeal may be made to the Iowa Department of Education, in accordance with its rules. An appeal to the Iowa Department of Education shall not automatically stay the operation of the punishment while the appeal is pending.

K. Open Night: [Board Policy 508.2]

Wednesday night is designated as open night. No school functions, practices, or

games will be scheduled after 6:00 p.m. on this night during the school year. The only exception would be if an agency or group outside of the school schedules tournaments or meetings on this night, or the activity takes place during the summer season.

Special arrangements will be made for middle school activities on Wednesdays.

L. Sportsmanship at Events: [Board Policy 903.4]

Good conduct and good sportsmanship are expected of all students attending athletic events in which Ogden Community School District athletes are participating, both at home and away. All fans should continually be reminded of the following aspects of Good Sportsmanship:

- Show positive support for our team.
- Show respect for the opponent and officials at all times.
- Know, understand and appreciate the rules of the contest.
- Maintain self-control at all times.
- Recognize and appreciate skill and performance regardless of affiliation.

When attending Ogden athletic events students are expected to:

- Be watching the game (in the gym during basketball games) and not wandering around.
- Remain at the event. Spectators will not be permitted to leave the fenced area of the football field or the building and be readmitted to the event without paying admission-- activity tickets are good for one admission per event.
- Stand at attention and face the flag (men remove hats) during the playing of the National Anthem and the presentation of the colors.

Good sportsmanship is a very valuable possession to have. Do your part and be proud of the participants, no matter the final result.

N. School Spirit Information

School Mascot:

Bulldog

School Colors:

Royal Blue and White

School Song:

Ogden Fight Song (On Wisconsin)

ONWARD OGDEN, ONWARD OGDEN,

BEATS THEM EVERY TIME,
WHEN THE GAME IS OVER,
VICTORY WILL BE THINE.
(RAH, RAH, RAH!)

ONWARD OGDEN, ONWARD OGDEN,
SHOW YOUR COLORS TRUE.
EVERYONE AT O-H-S
IS BACKING YOU.

ONWARD OGDEN, ONWARD OGDEN,
FIGHT RIGHT THROUGH THAT LINE,
SEND THE BALL RIGHT DOWN THE FIELD
BOYS, TOUCHDOWN EVERY TIME.
(RAH, RAH, RAH!).

ONWARD OGDEN, ONWARD OGDEN,
SHOW YOUR COLORS TRUE
EVERYONE AT O-H-S
IS BACKING YOU.