## REEDSPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT

POLICY: STUDENT ATHLETIC AND ACTIVITIES DRUG TESTING PROGRAM

CODE: IGDJA

As part of the Reedsport School District's substance abuse prevention efforts, the Reedsport School District shall conduct a reasonable suspicion drug testing program for student athletes and participants in student activities. The purpose for this program is three fold:

- 1. To provide for the health and safety of all student athletes and activities participants;
- 2. To undermine the effects of peer pressure by providing a legitimate reason for students to refuse to use illegal drugs; and,
- 3. To encourage students who use drugs to participate in drug treatment programs.

Each student wishing to participate in any interscholastic athletic or activities program and the student's parents or guardian shall consent in writing to reasonable suspicion drug testing pursuant to the District's program. The District shall provide written consent forms for signature. No student shall be allowed to participate in any interscholastic athletic or activities program absent such consent.

No student participant shall be penalized academically for testing positive for any illegal drugs. The results of drug tests pursuant to this policy will not be documented in any student's academic records. Information regarding the results of drug tests will not be disclosed to criminal or juvenile authorities absent legal compulsion by valid and binding subpoena or other legal process, which the District shall not solicit.

Student athletes and students participating in school-sponsored extracurricular activities may be tested at any time based upon "reasonable suspicion." "Reasonable suspicion" means sufficient knowledge possessed by a District official at the time the official makes or authorizes the search which would lead a reasonable person to believe that search of a particular student or place will likely turn up evidence of a violation of the District's policy prohibiting the possession or use of tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs, controlled substances, or imitation controlled substances at any time or place while the student is a member of an athletic team or activity. The official's knowledge may be based upon relevant past experience of the official, observation by the official, or upon receipt of credible information from another person.

- 1. "Past experience" may provide the District official with information relevant to the Violation as well as information which enables the official to evaluate the credibility of information from another person.
- 2. "Credible information from another person" may include information which the District official reasonably believes to be true provided by another District employee, a student, law enforcement or other governmental official, or some other person.

The reasonable suspicion drug testing policy shall allow for body fluid searches. The testing procedure shall provide for limited access to the results of any such testing and shall also provide for procedures in the event of a positive result. This controlled substances testing program shall also provide for progressively more restrictive consequences in the event of first, second or third positive results. Such consequences shall include appropriate forms of assistance for drug or alcohol rehabilitation.

The District's administration is charged with the responsibility to develop administrative regulations governing this reasonable suspicion drug testing program in accordance with the policy statements herein and in accordance with the provisions of law.

## END OF POLICY

Legal References: ORS 329.095

ORS 332.107 ORS 336.222 ORS 336.227 ORS 339.240 ORS 339.250 ORS Chapter 475 OAR 581-021-0050 to 0075

OAR 581-022-0413

Vernonia School District 47J v. Action, 515 U.S. 528 (1995).

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