



# McAllen ISD High School Coaches UIL ORIENTATION



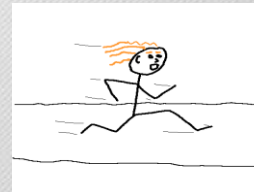
**2019-2020**



## Benefits of Extracurricular Activities

Support the Academic Mission of School

1. An extension of a good educational program – best at risk program for students.
2. Students who participate tend to:
  - Have a higher GPA
  - Better attendance records
  - Lower dropout rates
  - Fewer discipline problems
3. Provides lessons for practical situations:
  - Teamwork
  - Sportsmanship
  - Lessons in Winning & Losing
  - Value of Hard work





# How to Increase Benefits of Athletic Competition

- Work with athletes to set personal and team goals.
- Care about students even more than the sport.
- Know the players and help them handle pressure.
- Use your tremendous influence to help athletes set and attain high academic and behavior goals appropriate for individuals in the limelight of public attention.
- Teach the value of fitness, exercise, nutrition, and self awareness.
- Give student athletes proper and safe equipment.
- Cultivate good attitudes: "Give 100 % no matter what the outcome."
- Recognize athlete's accomplishments in academics, athletics, and other activities.
- Encourage media to recognize the academic as well s athletic progress of players.





## Purpose and Philosophy of the UIL

- To assist and advise schools
- To establish and enforce eligibility rules
- To regulate competition
- To promote good sportsmanship
- To forward the concept of **accepting** decisions and **respecting** sports officials







## Coordinated Communication

- Always find answer to an eligibility question before allowing an athlete to compete.
- Know rules and their interpretations pertaining to your sport.
- UIL website/Constitution and Contest Rules book/Side by Side Manual are great resources.
- Speak to your Head Coach/Athletic Coordinator/Athletic Director before you call.
- Designate who will make contact with UIL if needed.



# UIL Orientation

- All coaches are required UIL to annually attend a UIL Orientation. (Session is Mandatory).
- Discuss UIL Rules and Regulations – be informed of new rules.
- Athlete Eligibility and Athlete Requirements
- Coaches Expectations/Requirements
- Appropriate coaches conduct during practices & UIL contests.
- Power Point will be made available to all coaches through Athletic Director/Athletic Coordinators.





# UIL Web Site

[www.uil.utexas.edu](http://www.uil.utexas.edu)

The purpose of the UIL web site is to provide school coaches, parents, and students access to information regarding extracurricular activities. Below is a partial list of documents/information found on the web site:

- [TEA-UIL Side by Side](#)
- [Constitution and Contest Rules \(C & CR\)](#)
- [Athletic Manuals](#)
- [Guidelines for Non-School Participation](#)
- [UIL Sportsmanship Manual](#)
- [Booster Club Guidelines](#)
- [Forms](#)
- [CCP Training](#)
- [New Coaches Training](#)





- **PROFESSIONAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM (PAF)**
  - MUST BE COMPLETED BY A COACH THEIR 1<sup>ST</sup> YEAR AT A CAMPUS.
  - FORM MUST BE NOTARIZED AND ON FILE WITH DISTRICT.
  - ANOTHER PAF FORM MUST BE FILLED WHEN A COACH CHANGES CAMPUSES OR SCHOOL DISTRICT.
  - PAF FORM ACKNOWLEDGES THAT YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR BEING INFORMED OF UIL RULES AND REGULATIONS.
  - VANESSA CASTANEDA, Athletic Director, SECRETARY, A NOTARY PUBLIC







## Coaches Certification Program (CCP)

- UIL annual requirement for all MS and HS coaches.
- Training available only through the UIL website – [www.uiltexas.org](http://www.uiltexas.org)
- Log in to UIL Athletic website and then on Quick Links click on UIL Portal, then click on Instructions for Coaches, if you have not registered.
- If you have registered (in Spring) then you click on “Login to the UIL Portal.”
- When courses are completed, you may print a certificate for your records.
- AD & AC’s will confirm that all requirements have been met. Information is online.





## Coaches Certification Program

### **Coaches Certification Program (CCP) – online training**

- 1. Constitution & Contest Rules**
- 2. Ethics & Sportsmanship**
- 3. UIL Steroid Education**
- 4. Safety Training (State Law)**
- 5. Concussion Training (State Law)**
- 6. Sport Specific Training – different module**
- 7. Best Practices in Tackling Certification – Football Coaches Only.**  
**Mandatory for 2019-2020. If not certified must take course – payment required.**
- 8. Fundamentals of Coaching in Texas – 1<sup>st</sup> Year Coaches Only.**





## 1<sup>st</sup> Aid, CPR, AED Training

### Senate Bill 7

1. All coaches, cheerleader coaches, physical education teachers, athletic trainers, and student trainers must maintain current certification in CPR, 1<sup>st</sup> Aid and AED training.
2. Must have a current certification before beginning coaching duties – this includes athletic periods.



# HOUSE BILL 2038

- AN ACT RELATING TO PREVENTION, TREATMENT, AND OVERSIGHT OF CONCUSSIONS AFFECTING STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES.
- CONCUSSION OVERSIGHT TEAM SHALL ESTABLISH A RETURN TO PLAY PROTOCOL FOLLOWING THE FORCE OR IMPACT BELIEVED TO HAVE CAUSED A CONCUSSION.
- ANY ATHLETE SUSPECTED OF HAVING A CONCUSSION MUST BE IMMEDIATELY REMOVED FROM PLAY.  
“WHEN IN DOUBT - SIT THEM OUT”
- KEEP ATHLETES SAFE AND KEEP EVERYONE INFORMED!!!





## Concussion Training

- All MISD coaches, athletic trainers and potential members of the Concussion Oversight Team must complete at least one hour of Concussion Training annually.
- May also take training at [www.nfhs.org](http://www.nfhs.org). Log on, click on Coaches Ed Tab, and register if you do not have an account.
- There is no charge for this course – will receive 1 hr. credit
- TGCA ([www.austintgca.com](http://www.austintgca.com)) and THSCA ([www.thsca.com](http://www.thsca.com)) is also providing free concussion training.



# Safety Training

- Coaches safety training provided by UIL within the CCP.
- This training for coaches must be completed prior to contact with athletes.
- Coaches must conduct Safety Training for all their student athletes. (State requirement).
- Coach must document with athlete signatures that the training was provided and attended.
- UIL safety information must be presented to athletes and be made available to parents/guardians.
- Coaches are required to provide and document a rehearsal of safety communication with students per sport.
- Multi-sport athletes must attend safety training provided by each coach of sport they join.





## Heat Stress & Athlete Participation

- Football, cross country, soccer, tennis, softball, baseball, golf and track are conducted in very hot and humid weather.
- Many heat problems are associated with football due to the equipment and uniform.
- Proper precautions need to be taken by all coaches at all times – included on next page.



# Safety Precautions

- All physical exam and medical history information must be on file for every athlete.
- Coaches should know the physical condition of their athletes and set practices accordingly.
- Acclimatization (process of gradually adjusting to heat) is very important, especially in the beginning of school year due to heat and fitness level of athletes.
- Water should be available in unlimited quantities to athletes at all times. Fluid replacement is essential. It is recommended that a minimum of 10 minutes be scheduled for a water break every half hour of heavy exercise in heat.
- It is not enough to just provide water breaks – you must monitor athletes to make sure they drink water.





## Safety (con't)

- Know the temperature and humidity. The greater the humidity, the more difficult it is for the body to cool itself.
- In extremely hot and humid weather, reduce the amount of clothing as much as possible.
- Observe athletes carefully for signs of trouble, especially athletes who lose significant weight and those that work extremely hard.
- Trouble signs: nausea, incoherence, extreme fatigue & weakness, vomiting, cramps, weak rapid pulse, visual disturbance, and unsteadiness.



## Safety (con't)

- Coaches should be alert to heat stress symptoms at all times - know what to do in an emergency.
- Heat stroke: A medical emergency – delay of treatment could be fatal. Call 911 - cool body immediately- remove clothing as needed-use ice packs on neck, armpit, and groin area-vigorously fan the body.
- Heat Exhaustion – obtain medical care at once. Cool body as you would for heat stroke; give fluids if athlete is able to drink.





## Coach with Misconduct

- Any coach ejected from a contest shall complete the NFHG Fundamentals of Coaching Course. (See previous slide).
- Must also complete the NFHS Teaching and Modeling Behavior Course.
- It is a 1.5 hour course and cost is \$20.00. Cost is responsibility of coach. [www.nfhslearn.com](http://www.nfhslearn.com)
- Coach must immediately notify Athletic Coordinator and Athletic Director of ejection. Principal must be notified by Athletic Coordinator.
- You as a coach are responsible for your behavior!!!





## **UIL VARSITY ELIGIBILITY FORM**

- **MUST BE COMPLETED FOR ALL TEAM /INDIVIDUAL SPORTS PRIOR TO COMPETITION**
  - FILL OUT PROPERLY AND COMPLETELY
  - MUST BE SIGNED BY CAMPUS ATHLETIC COORDINATOR
  - EMAIL TO 30-6A DEC CHAIRMAN (PSJA North) AND KEEP A COPY ON CAMPUS. Please email to Jaime Gongora at [jaime.gongora@psjaisd.us](mailto:jaime.gongora@psjaisd.us).
  - ADDITIONAL ATHLETES **MUST** BE ADDED ON TO SUPPLEMENTAL FORM AFTER 1<sup>ST</sup> FORM IS SUBMITTED BEFORE ATHLETES MAY COMPETE AT THE VARSITY LEVEL.
  - TEAMS ADVANCING TO PLAYOFFS **MUST** INCLUDE ATHLETES WHO ARE PROMOTED TO VARSITY AND HAD NOT BEEN PREVIOUSLY REPORTED ON YOUR ELIGIBILITY FORM.







# ATHLETE'S PAPERWORK

1. PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS MUST BE ON FILE BEFORE ANY ATHLETE MAY WORK OUT OR COMPETE. (**Revised 2017**)
2. STEROID FORM
3. CONCUSSION ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM
4. SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST FORM
5. PARENTS OR GUARDIAN PERMISSION. (PARENT PERMISSION MAY NOT OVERRIDE DOCTORS EXCUSE).
6. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RULES
7. ATHLETE CODE OF CONDUCT – ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND TURNED IN.
8. PREVIOUS ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION FORM (**Revised 8/1/2017**). **Form must now be filled online through UIL Portal.**
  1. TRANSFER FROM ANOTHER SCHOOL
  2. DOES NOT LIVE IN YOUR ATTENDANCE ZONE
  3. PARTICIPATED AT ANOTHER SCHOOL IN GRADES 8TH-12TH
  4. REQUIRES DEC APPROVAL BEFORE VARSITY COMPETITION
  5. MAKE SURE THAT YOU CHECK ON ALL FRESHMEN ATHLETES BEFORE THEY PARTICIPATE AT VARSITY LEVEL
  6. MAY REQUIRE UNANNOUNCED MANDATORY HOME VISITS

**PLEASE USE CURRENT FORMS!!! FORMS MUST BE FILLED OUT ONLINE THROUGH RANK ONE BY PARENTS.**





# Eligibility for 1<sup>st</sup> 6 Weeks

- Students beginning grades 9 and below must have advanced (been promoted) from the previous grade prior to the beginning of the current school year.
- Sophomores must have earned 5 credits which count toward state graduation requirements; Juniors 10; Seniors 15.
- Exceptions:
  - 5 credits during the preceding 12 months.
  - When a migrant student enrolls for the 1<sup>st</sup> time during a school year, all criteria cited above applies.
  - All other students who enroll too late to earn a passing grade for a grading period are ineligible.
  - Out of state students may be eligible if they meet same criteria or are determined eligible by school officials.

**UIL Violation - Athletes may not be enrolled concurrently in an athletic period and a Physical Education class or two athletic periods— please review athlete's schedule.**

**(exception: cheerleading with local school approval).**





## ***NO PASS, NO PLAY***

- A student who receives a grade below 70 at the end of any grading period is not eligible until all classes are passed and 7 day grace period is fulfilled.
- Pre-AP class: Grade may be a **65** or above, but an athlete is only eligible for 2 waivers a school year; one per semester; for any grading period to include 3 week progress reporting period.
- An ineligible student may practice, but may not compete or travel with the team (This includes team managers).
- Students who pass all classes remain eligible until the end of the next grading period at the end of grace period.
- An athlete may not drop a class in which they have a grade below 70 after the end of the first four weeks without it being considered a failing grade for eligibility purposes.



## *NO PASS, NO PLAY (con't)*

- In regards to eligibility, school work may **not** be completed after a grading period has ended, unless an incomplete has been recorded.
- A incomplete grade must be made up before an athlete may compete.
- Teacher error, mechanical error, or not following district grading policy may allow an athlete to regain eligibility.
- All students are eligible during a school holiday of a full calendar week or more (Thanksgiving Break, Christmas Break, or Spring Break).







# Athlete's Eligibility Rules

## Eligible to represent school in UIL activities:

- Full time student – defined as attending school a minimum of 4 hours a day
- Must not have graduated from high school
- Regular attendance before the sixth day of class or enrolled for 15 or more calendar days
- Required number of credits for first six weeks eligibility
- Four year rule
- Was not recruited and did not change schools for athletic purposes
- Not in violation of awards rule
- Has amateur status
- Resident of the member school attendance zone or continuously enrolled for at least 365 days.
- Less than 19 years old before September 1





## Attendance Zone Eligibility

- Inform Freshmen athletes about the attendance residence rule.
- A PAPF must be filled out and receive DEC approval for all Freshmen and new athletes who do not live in your attendance zone before they compete at the Varsity level.
- New athletes entering your school will need a PAPF if they have participated in another school even though they live in your attendance zone.
- It is a head coaches job to investigate and make sure that information is correct on PAPF.
- Please confirm all information before an athlete participates at the Varsity level.
- All PAPFs must be submitted online.





# MISD UIL Eligibility Calendar 2019-2020

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## UIL ELIGIBILITY CALENDAR 2019-2020

### REPORTING PERIODS

**FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL – August 26, 2019**

#### FALL SEMESTER

1<sup>st</sup> SIX WEEKS August 26 – September 27, 2019 25 DAYS  
2<sup>nd</sup> SIX WEEKS September 30 – November 1, 2019 24 DAYS  
3<sup>rd</sup> SIX WEEKS November 4 – December 20, 2019 22 DAYS  
**TOTAL 71 DAYS**

#### SPRING SEMESTER

4<sup>th</sup> SIX WEEKS January 7 – February 21, 2020 33 DAYS  
5<sup>th</sup> SIX WEEKS February 24 – April 9, 2020 28 DAYS  
6<sup>th</sup> SIX WEEKS April 13 – May 26, 2020 24 DAYS  
**TOTAL 85 DAYS**

**LAST DAY OF SCHOOL – May 29, 2020**

### REPORT CARDS

**REPORT CARDS ISSUED THE WEEK OF:**

- 1) September 30, 2019 3) February 24, 2020
- 2) November 4, 2019 5) April 13, 2020
- 3) January 6, 2020 6) May 25, 2020

### WEATHER MAKE-UP DAYS

October 14, 2019  
April 10, 2020

### STAFF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING/WORKDAYS/STUDENT HOLIDAYS

August 12-15, 2019 Professional Learning Days  
August 16, 2019 Teacher Workday  
August 19-21, 2019 Professional Learning Days  
August 22-23, 2019 Teacher Workdays  
November 22, 2019 Professional Learning Day  
January 6, 2020 Teacher Workday  
February 3, 2020 Professional Learning Day  
March 13, 2020 Professional Learning Day

### STAFF/STUDENT HOLIDAYS

November 25-25, 2019 Thanksgiving  
December 23, 2019-January 3, 2020 Winter Break  
March 16-20, 2020 Spring Break  
May 25, 2020 Memorial Day

### STUDENT EARLY RELEASE

December 20, 2019  
May 29, 2020

### GRADUATION DATES

TBD  
McALLEN ISD GRADUATIONS

### LEGEND

PL-PROFESSIONAL LEARNING  
WD-WORKDAY  
HOLIDAY  
WEATHERDAY  
EARLY RELEASE DAY - STUDENTS & STAFF  
STATE ASSESSMENT DAYS  
END OF 3 WEEK PERIOD  
END OF GRACE PERIOD  
REGAIN ELIGIBILITY

**2020**  
**JANUARY**

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**JUNE**

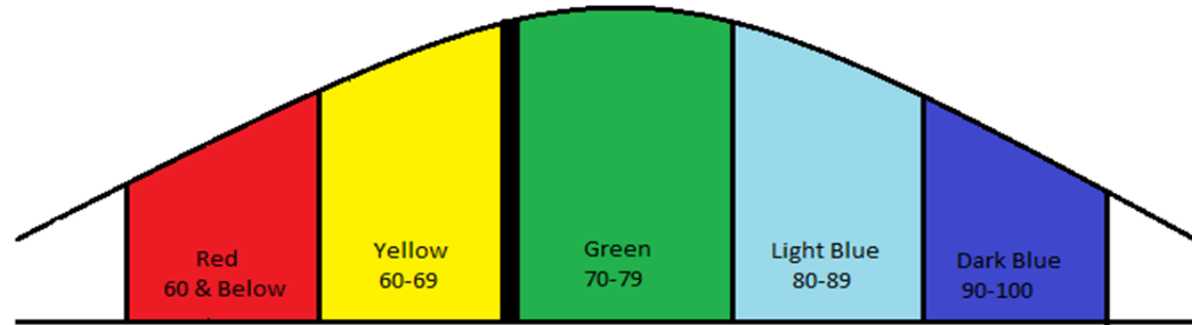
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# Value Added Progress Monitoring

\* Success is all about making connections!



## Campus Administration

- Ensure that tutoring opportunities are also provided in the morning and at lunch time.
- Ensure that grades are entered (as per MISD grading guidelines in a timely manner).
- Communicate discipline issues with coaches/teachers.

## Mentors

1. Continuously monitor grades, attendance, discipline (Skyward, Progress Monitoring Report)
2. One on one conversations (positive reinforcement, praise, support)
3. Facilitate tutoring/retest as needed
4. Follow up conference (offer support and assistance as needed)
5. Communicate with grade level administrator/parent conference IF needed
6. Personalized student interventions and strategies as needed





## IB Program UIL Official Interpretation

- In and Out of District Middle School students who complete 365 days of continuous enrollment in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade at a campus that feeds 100 % into a high school and enroll in the IB program will establish residency for varsity competition for that respective high school. All MISD middle schools are now 100% feeder schools to their high schools.
- Out of District students who enroll in the IB program in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade or above must complete 365 days of continuous enrollment before they are eligible for varsity competition at the high school declared to have the lowest enrollment.
- In District students who enroll in the IB program in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade or above and have established residency (365 days) at a high school will continue to be eligible at respective high school.





## Achieve Early College HS/ Home School Students

- All students (in and out of district) who attend Achieve HS must participate at the high school of their residency attendance zone.
- Achieve Early College HS does not meet the UIL official interpretation criteria – they are a stand alone high school and not a program within the school district.
- Students who have established residency at a respective high school and then transfer to Achieve High School do not carry their residency status with them.
- As per UIL, home schooled students may not participate in UIL sponsored sports.







## **ATHLETE PARTICIPATION**

### **Out of District Student Athletes**

- 1. EFFECTIVE 2019-2020, FD (LOCAL) STATES: A STUDENT ENROLLED IN ANOTHER PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT OR IN A PRIVATE SCHOOL, INCLUDING A HOMESCHOOL, SHALL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT IN THE DISTRICT NOR FOR PARTICIPATION IN CURRICULAR OR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES. SEE ALSO FM (LOCAL).**
- 2. EXAMPLES OF OUT OF DISTRICT STUDENTS WOULD BE SOUTH TEXAS ISD STUDENTS OR UTRGV SCIENCE AND MATH ACADEMY STUDENTS.**



## Practice & Game Restrictions

- 8 hour rule (outside school day)
- Practice Regulations
  - Maximum length of any single practice session is 3 hours
  - When more than one practice is held, there shall be at least two hours of **rest** in between.
  - Athletes shall not engage in more than 5 hours of practice a day.
- Sunday prohibition – nothing is allowed on Sundays.
- Athletic period 60 min per day (dressing out/travel time included) / 300 minutes per week.
- Athlete may only participate in one contest during school week.
- School week begins at 12:01 AM the 1<sup>st</sup> day of instruction and ends after school on the last day of instruction, excluding holidays.
- Calendar week means 12:01 am on Sunday through midnight on Saturday.





# Practice Time

- **What counts:** Actual practice, sport specific skill instruction, mandatory conditioning, water breaks.
- **What doesn't count:** Meetings, film study, rest breaks, injury treatment, voluntary conditioning and weight training\*
- **Two hour rest/recovery time between workouts:** There can be no practice or other physical activities during this time. This time is exclusively for athletes to rest/recover for the following practice session, whether that session is an actual on field/court practice or mandatory conditioning period.

\*Voluntary conditioning and weight training does not count towards practice time, but **cannot** be done during the 2 hour recovery time.





## Additional Regulations for Football Practice

- All pre-season football practices shall begin with a 5 day acclimatization period for all participants.
- If more than one practice is conducted on the same day, the second practice shall be a walkthrough practice only with no conditioning or contact activities or equipment permitted, including helmets.
- During the 5 day acclimatization period, helmets shall be the only piece of contact/protective equipment athletes may wear.
- During the 5 day acclimatization period, no contact activities are permitted





# Helmet Add-On Certification

- There are many new products on the market that are intended to be added to helmets, in particular football helmets, which products claim to reduce concussions and make helmets safer and more protective. Whether these are additional liners or padding on the inside, or bumpers, pads, coverings or electronic devices that attach to the outside of the helmet, these products were not included in the certification testing and quality control programs that are required for all helmets that are certified to the NOCSAE standards. To address this situation, and to protect the integrity of the NOCSAE standards, the NOCSAE board of directors has adopted the following position:
- **“NOCSAE helmet standards are specific to models which are identical in all aspects, except as to size. The testing required to support the certification is also specific to the model being certified. NOCSAE standards require that any change in configuration, padding, shell geometry, or protective system requires a new model designation with separate certification testing. The addition of after-market items by anyone that changes or alters the protective system by adding or deleting protective padding to the inside or outside of the helmet, or which changes or alters the geometry of the shell or adds mass to the helmet, whether temporary or permanent, voids the certification of compliance with the NOCSAE standard.”**





## Non-School Participation

- Coaches may **not** require athletes to participate in non-school activities (example: mandatory to join a club or travel team)
- Coaches may **not** instruct non-school coaches in what offense or defense to use.
- No coach may coach a club team where any middle school or high school athletes in their attendance zone participate.
- A coach may coach athletes in their attendance zone, if they are 6<sup>th</sup> grade and below.
- Athletes may not assist or volunteer during a camp or club team activity.
- Inform athletes about receiving awards during non-school participation – be aware of amateur rule.







## Non-School Participation Team Sports

In accordance to Section 1209 regarding non-school competition (leagues, camps, clinics, clubs, tournaments, 7 vs. 7) the CCR allows the following:

- Coaches may supervise facility
- Coaches can assist with organization. You are allowed to assign officials, secure facilities, develop schedules, assist with registration, and help secure equipment.
- Coaches can assist with selection of coaches.
- Coaches can assist with selection of players.
- Coaches can distribute information about non-school activity.
- Coaches can collect registration fees that are made payable to an outside entity (not the school or coach).



# Charitable Cause Guidelines

1. Contest may be held during any 1 week of designated sport season.
2. No uniforms or jerseys will be allowed that do not represent school colors.
3. A commemorative ribbon of non-school color may be worn on uniform.
4. Officials may be allowed to use a colored whistle or modified uniform in accordance with UIL guidelines.
5. Colored game balls will not be allowed for competition, but may be used for warm-up period prior to the game.
6. As a courtesy, please inform opposing team and officials.





## Team Meals

- With campus administrative approval, athletes may receive meals from booster club, parents, fund raising account, etc. on game day.
- Team meals may be provided regardless of whether team is playing home or away
- Goodie bags may be given to athletes as long as only food items are included



# Sportsmanship

- As coaches we are responsible for the behavior of our athletes.
- Positive behavior is expected from our fans and spectators - paying to get into a game does not give them a right to be negative. Address concern immediately
- A positive relationship between coaches and officials is always important.
- Any coach who is ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct, or a football coach who is given 2 or more 15-yard unsportsmanlike penalties during a contest, is required to appear before the State Executive Committee at the coaches expense.
- Schools must notify UIL within 3 school days if a coach has been ejected or received two 15 yard unsportsmanlike penalties. Campus Coordinator, Administration, and Athletic Director must be notified.
- Sportsmanship announcement must be read before home games in gymnasiums.





## 2019-2020 Rule Changes

- Amendment to Section 902, 1102, and 1208 requires schools to report any time an AED is utilized at a UIL event, practice or competition.
- Amendment to Section 1204 (m), Flat Fee Schedule & Mileage Reimbursement implements revised fees for wrestling officials.
- Amendment to Section 1206, School Practice & Game Restrictions, expands summer strength & conditioning and allows for sport specific skill instruction.
- Amendment to Section 1208, Athletic Regulations, creates a trial program requiring 6A schools to report all concussions to Contex quality improvement project for 2019-2020 school year.





# 2019-2020 Rule Changes

- Amendment to Section 1208, Athletic Regulations, requires schools to create venue specific Emergency Action Plan for their venues hosting UIL athletic practices and competitions.
- Amendment to Section 1208, Athletic Regulations requires schools to report catastrophic injuries as defined by Catastrophic Sports Injury Research that occur during UIL practices and/or competitions.
- Amendment to Section 1220, Baseball Plan & Section 1280, Softball Plan, allows district champions to have choice of a single elimination or 2 out of 3 series in the first round of the playoffs.
- Amendment to Section 1400, Junior High, allows school districts to be involved with enrichment/intervention programs below the 7<sup>th</sup> grade which could involve athletic activities.
- Amendment to Sections 1270 © & 1270 (d) (1), soccer Plan, alters the 1<sup>st</sup> day for scrimmages for the soccer season to be more consistent with the 1<sup>st</sup> day for scrimmages in other team sports.







# 2019-2020 Rule Changes

- **Amendment to Section 1320 (m)(4), Invitational Track and Field Meets, alters the regulations for invitational track and field meets to be more consistent with the regulations of other individual sports.**
- **Amendment to Section 1209 (c), Non-School Participations allows students in grades six and below to participate in 2 school sponsored camps per sport during the school year. Additionally, the change also allows for all students other than students who will be in their 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, or 4<sup>th</sup> year of high school to attend 2 camps (rather than one) in each team sport during the summer where instruction is provided by a school in grades 7 – 12.**



## Hazing:

- “Hazing is any act that causes or is likely to cause bodily danger, physical harm, or personal degrading for the purposes of pledging, initiation into, holding office in, or maintaining membership in an organization.”





## Hazing Components

- It involves humiliating, degrading, emotionally and/or physical harmful activities.
- Behavior expected to join or maintain full status in a group.
- Hazing can occur regardless of a person's willingness to participate



## Typical Arguments Asserted for Hazing Traditions /Rituals:

- Team building and character building
- Create unity, loyalty, discipline, and team spirit
- Reassure senior group members that newcomers value membership





## Texas Education Code 37.152 Personal Hazing Offense

- (a) A person commits an offense if the person:
  - 1) Engages in hazing;
  - 2) Solicits, encourages, directs, aids, or attempts to aid another in engaging in hazing;
  - 3) **Recklessly permits hazing to occur**; or
  - 4) Has firsthand knowledge of the planning of a specific hazing incident involving a student in an educational institution, or has first hand knowledge that a specific hazing incident has occurred, and knowing fails to report that knowledge in writing to the dean of students or other appropriate official of the institution.
- (b) The offense of failing to report is a Class B misdemeanor.
- (c) Any other offense under this section that does not cause serious bodily injury to another is a Class B misdemeanor.
- (d) any other offense under this section that causes serious bodily injury to another is a Class A misdemeanor.
- (e) Any other offense under this section that causes serious bodily injury to another is a state jail felony.





## Texas Education Code 37.153 Organization Hazing Offense

- (a) An organization commits an offense if the organization condones or encourages hazing or if an officer or any combination of members, pledges, or alumni of the organization commits or assists in the commission of hazing.
- (b) An offense under this section is a misdemeanor punishable by:
  1. A fine of not less than \$5,000 no more than \$10,000 or
  2. If the court finds that the offense caused personal injury, property damage, or other loss, a fine of not less than \$5000 not more than double the amount lost or expenses incurred because of the injury, damage, or loss.





## Texas Education Code 37.154 Consent Not a Defense

- It is not a defense to prosecution of an offense under this subchapter that the person against whom the hazing was directed consented to or acquiesced in the hazing activity.

## Texas Education Code 37.156 Offenses in Addition to Other Penal Provisions

- This subchapter does not affect or repeal any law of this state. This subchapter does not limit or affect the right of an educational institution to enforce its own penalties against hazing.



## Coaches Responsibility

- Always supervise
- Address immediately
- Put a **STOP** to it
- Report it





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**THANK YOU!**

**BEST OF LUCK!**

**Have an Awesome Season and A Great Year!**

