

WSD Athletics Program Mission Statement

The Wissahickon Athletics Program, as an integral part of our students' educational experience, is committed to excellence in athletics and is designed for students to reach their highest potential on and off the field. By fostering a sense of spirit and pride within students, staff, alumni and the community, the athletic experience at Wissahickon seeks to instill in each participant a life-long appreciation for diversity, teamwork, perseverance and excellence. With the support of highly knowledgeable coaches who are dedicated to the physical and emotional well-being of our student-athletes, the program embraces good sportsmanship, ethics, character and accountability, and is committed to "Building a Community of Champions" who are prepared to excel, contribute and lead.

Wissahickon Middle School Co-Curricular Activities Code of Conduct

The purpose of this policy is to support the many efforts and programs of the Wissahickon School District, to establish and maintain a healthy and safe environment in which students, staff and community members live, learn, and grow.

The Wissahickon Middle School believes it is important to maintain a co-curricular program to enhance the regular curricular program. Participation in these co-curricular activities is a privilege which students earn through appropriate behavior, conduct, and attitudes. Consistent with our District's philosophy, the guidelines and regulations contained herein present responsibilities to which students must adhere in order to participate in the co-curricular program at WMS.

While this policy encompasses student responsibilities related to school attendance, academic progress, and overall behavior, we are also most concerned with the involvement of our young people with drugs and alcohol. As stated in the Wissahickon School District Drug and Alcohol Policy "use, consumption, manufacture, sale or delivery, holding, offering for sale, possession of, or being under the influence of alcohol, controlled substances or other drugs in any form without proper medical prescription is prohibited on school property and at all school-sponsored activities. Students in violation of this policy will be subject to discipline pursuant to the WSD discipline code".

Students are representatives of the school and community 24 hours a day. Any participant in a school activity who is found to be in violation of the same conditions of this policy away from school and in the community may be suspended from participation in activities for a minimum of the remainder of that current activity session. In the case of "year-long" activities, the length of the suspension will be determined by the Athletic Review Board.

All students are responsible to become familiar with the school policies and procedures related to our total school program. Specifically, students involved in our co-curricular activities program must adhere to the Co-Curricular Activities Rules and Regulations presented in the WMS Parent/Student Handbook, including as related to Eligibility and Scholarship, Attendance and Eligibility, Conduct and Discipline, and Other Requirements.

We hope that all persons in our school community will be supportive in helping to establish a positive, meaningful, healthy and safe atmosphere for all students and families. Students involved in co-curricular activities and benefiting from their privileges should be committed to this same sense of purpose.

The student understands that participation in the Wissahickon Middle School Co-Curricular Activities program is a privilege. As a participant of that co-curricular program, he/she agrees to uphold the standards established by the school and the team/activity.

The student agrees to become familiar with and adhere to student requirements and responsibilities as set forth in the Parent/Student Manual, The Wissahickon School District Discipline Code, and by the coaches and activity sponsors. The student understands that a violation of any of these rules subjects him/her to discipline which may include suspension from the team/activity.