

DRUG TESTING OF STUDENTS IN ATHLETICS
AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

1. Parents and students will sign a consent form giving permission for the student to participate in the random drug testing program. This program will be in effect 24/7/365, meaning that once a student has become a participant as a member of any organization listed above, that he or she will be in the pool for random student drug testing for the full calendar year. (A student is considered a participant and the calendar year will begin as soon as he or she has become an official, rostered, member of an athletic team, or has been accepted as a member of an extracurricular club.)
2. Students participating in the random drug testing program are assigned a number.
 - A. Students are provided only one number despite the possibility of being involved in more than one activity/group subject to random drug testing.
 - B. Numbers will be determined using a random number generator. On testing days, a nurse will match the number with a student name.
 - C. An average of five students will be tested per week.
3. On a testing day, each student is summoned to the nurse's office. The nurse will complete the testing in the clinic area. Students unable to provide a sample, will be provided water and wait in a holding area for a maximum of four hours. A parent will be notified of the test via phone.
 - A. A student must provide a urine specimen within four hours of arriving at the designated testing area. Failure to comply will result in the same consequences as a positive test.
 - B. If a student refuses to provide a urine specimen, he or she is subject to the same consequences as a positive test.
4. A negative result ends the process and the student will be notified in writing of the negative result. If the screen shows positive, the sample is forwarded on to a lab for further testing. At this point, the student is not subject to any consequences.
 - A. While at the lab, the medical review officer will contact the student to determine if medication caused the positive test. If the medical review officer determines the positive result was not caused by medication, the student is immediately subject to the consequences outlined below. A parent will be notified and made aware of the consequences.

Reasonable Suspicion Tests

Students may also be subject to drug tests if a District administrator, coach or activity adviser reasonably suspects the student of using a controlled substance. Reasonable suspicion means that a reasonable inference about the student can be drawn based on: (1) specific personal observation of the student’s appearance, speech or behavior or (2) reliable information from MEVSD faculty or staff.

Consequences for Positive Drug Test Results

The student will follow the consequences as described in “Athletics and Extracurricular Activities Handbook” (Substance Abuse Policy, Article IX, Section O).

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