

# Titan Life

## ATHLETICS/EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

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Participation in Hercules High School athletic programs is a privilege. With this privilege comes certain responsibility. Student athletes represent Hercules High School on campus, in the classroom, in the athletic arena, and in the community. Student athletes are responsible to follow the Code of Conduct during their season as well as their off season. The Athletic Code of Conduct is in effect 365 days of the year, 24 hours a day, and 7 days per week. Good attendance, appropriate behavior, and academic achievement are prerequisites in order to be successful student/athletes. Student Athletes who violate the Athletic Code of Conduct (e.g. use of drugs/alcohol during a sports season, excessive absences/tardies, suspensions, etc.) will have consequences that can lead to game suspensions and possible removal from the team.

Athletic eligibility is determined once grades appear as marks on the record. Only quarter marks are used to determine eligibility. A student shall be eligible for participation in school athletics (including cheer and/or dance team) if he/she currently has a GPA of at least 2.0 in the previous grading period. If a student/athlete does not meet the academic requirements for eligibility, he/she may request use of the 1- quarter Probation Waiver option (1 time over the 4-year period in High School). In order to qualify for probation, a student must have passed at least four classes the previous marking period. Students are granted probation based on the recommendation from the coach and athletic director. The final decision to grant (by the Administration) is to be done before competitions start for a specific sport.

### Student Athletic Code of Conduct/Program Agreement

- Maintain a 2.0 GPA with no more than one “F” per grading period
- Maintain 95% attendance; excessive absences can result in loss of playing time and removal from team
  - Less than 10 days of Unexcused/Unverified Absences
- Attend at least 5 classes (out of 6) or 4 classes (out of 5) on game day or be unable to participate in that days contest(s)
- Be punctual and on time for all classes every day; excessive tardies can result in loss of playing time and removal from team
  - Less than 20 tardies
- Maintain solid citizenship at school; More than 3 days of suspension in a school year will result in removal from team
- Attend all practices and competitions in order to remain on the team; missed practices equal loss of playing time
- Athletic Parent Code of Conduct/Program Agreement
- Support your player and the team; Do not intimidate or ridicule the other team and its fans
- Learn the rules of the game so you can appreciate why certain situations take place

- Show respect for our players, coaches, fans, and support groups as well as opposing players, coaches, fans, and support groups
- Respect the integrity and judgment of game officials; Do not intimidate or ridicule any official
- Be a positive role model and help censure those around you at events where behavior is unbecoming
- Respect and show appreciation for the coaches and find appropriate ways and times to communicate with them

All students who participate in extracurricular activities, which include athletics, school productions, performances and school-sponsored events, are expected to maintain a 2.0 gpa, have less than 10 days of unexcused absences and have less than 20 tardies. Academic/Athletic and Extra Curricular eligibility is verified at the start of each quarter.

### ***DANCES***

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Dances are school-sponsored, extra-curricular events. These are a privilege for students to attend, and thus, certain requirements will apply. Dances also reflect (even though they may be off-campus) our goal of having a “Safe and Orderly Campus.”

- GPA requirements of a minimum of 2.0 for the previous quarter (grading period).
- Probation Waiver (used for Athletic Eligibility) does not apply to Dances. A process is in place for Administrative Team consideration (if less than a 2.0 GPA). A letter to the principal is required.
- NO Outstanding Fines
- Maintain 95% attendance and be punctual and on time for all classes every day.
  - Less than 10 days of Unexcused/Unverified Absences
  - Less than 20 Tardies
- No more than 3 Days of suspension in the most recent and/or current quarter
- A Hercules High School **ID/Lanyard** is required to purchase a dance ticket, as well as, to enter a dance
- Only one ticket per student may be purchased.
- Non-Hercules High School students may attend school dances which allow guests, AND must have administrative approval (which include: 1) filling out the appropriate Guest Form, 2) being interviewed by the principal or designee), and 3) the age limit for guests is 19).
- Dress for all dances must be accordance with the school dress policy and the expectations for a specific dance (e.g. Formal or Semi-Formal Dress).
- Students who show up for a dance wearing inappropriate clothing will be prohibited from entering. (e.g. low-cut fronts, too revealing, dresses made of sheer fabric, nothing worn under the dress, extremely short, top hats, canes).
- Students showing up for a dance under the influence of a controlled substance and/or alcohol will be prohibited from entering, and will face further disciplinary action; including Police intervention.