

27	Hazing	Method of initiation into any team, organization, group, club, etc., which causes or is likely to cause bodily danger, harm, personal degradation, disgrace, humiliation, or mental harm.
28	Insubordination/Disrespect	Refusing a directive of a teacher, administrator or other staff member.
29	Kidnapping/Abduction	The unlawful seizure, transportation and/or detention of a person against his/her will, or of a minor without the consent of his/her custodial parent(s) or legal guardian.
30	Larceny/Theft	The unlawful taking, carrying, leading or riding away of property of another person without threat, violence or bodily harm.
31	Obscene/Abusive Language toward Student	To direct obscene, offensive, indecent, disgusting, abusive, harsh, injurious or insulting language or gestures, verbally or in writing, to a student, repeatedly or excessively.
32	Obscene/Abusive Language toward Teacher	To direct obscene, offensive, indecent, disgusting, abusive, harsh, injurious or insulting language or gestures, or in writing, to a teacher or other staff member.
42	Robbery	The taking of, or attempting to take, anything of value that is owned by another person or organization under confrontational circumstances by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear.
43	Sexual Assault/Battery	A sexual act committed on another person without their consent or ability to consent. Causing another person to engage in an unwanted sexual act by use of force or threat of force. Includes rape (oral, anal, or vaginal), fondling, forced kissing, and child molestation.
44	Sexual Misconduct	Any act of a sexual nature which substantially disrupts the orderly conduct of a school function. Includes sexual activity, indecent exposure, and displaying pornographic imagery. Serious, non-consensual offenses should be coded as Sexual Assault/Battery.
34	Technology-Unauthorized Use of Computers/Other Tech	Unauthorized or inappropriate use of technology; willfully causing or attempting to cause damage to technology or data. This includes any violation of local technology policies but does not include cyber bullying.
35	Threat/Intimidation	To unlawfully place another person in fear of bodily harm through verbal threats without displaying a weapon or subjecting the person to actual physical attack. This also includes bullying. Bullying means the use of a written, verbal or electronic expression or a physical act or gesture or any combination thereof directed at a student that: a. Causes physical or emotional harm to the student or damage to the student's property; b. Places the student in reasonable fear of harm to himself/herself or of damage to

		his/her property; c. Creates an intimidating, threatening, hostile, or abusive educational environment for the student; d. Infringes on the rights of the student to participate in school activities; or e. Materially and substantially disrupts the education process or the orderly operation of a school. Includes cyber bullying, i.e. or bullying through the use of technology or any electronic device. Threat or intimidation involving weapons or actual physical attack should be categorized as Assault/Battery.
36	Tobacco	Where applicable, the possession, use, distribution or sale of tobacco products on school grounds, school-sponsored events and on transportation to and from school or other school transportation.
37	Trespassing/Restricted Area	To enter or remain on a public school campus or restricted area without authorization or invitation and with no lawful purpose for entry. May include breaking in with the intent to commit a crime.
38	Vandalism	The willful and/or malicious destruction, damage or defacement of public or private property, real or personal, without the consent of the owner of the person having custody or control of it. This category includes graffiti.
39	Weapon Possession	The possession of any weapon, device, instrument, material, or substance, animate or inanimate, that is used for, or is readily capable of causing, bodily injury on another person. Includes firearms, bombs and other explosive devices, knives, other sharp objects, blunt objects, or harmful chemicals, as well as realistic replicas. Includes use of a weapon in which no other individuals were injured, threatened, or frightened.

The following matrix is provided as a guideline for behavioral infractions of the student handbook. This matrix is not intended, nor encompass, all possible behavioral infractions and is provided as a set of guidelines and expectations for student information. The principal makes all final decisions on appeals at the building level.

Infraction/Behavior	1st Offense	2nd Offense	3rd or Greater Offense
<i>Alcohol (Possession, Use, or Distribution)</i>	5-10 days of OSS. Police notification; Parent meeting. Possible referral to the Superintendent. Referral to the Student Assistance Counselor.	Extended OSS. Police notification. Referral to Student Assistance Counselor. Possible expulsion. Referral to the Superintendent.	

<i>Arson</i>	Extended OSS. Police notification. Possible expulsion. Referral to the Superintendent.		
<i>Assault/Battery of Student</i>	1-10 days of OSS. Police Contact. Parent meeting. Possible referral to superintendent. Possible expulsion.	Extended days OSS. Police contact. Referral to Superintendent. Possible expulsion.	
<i>Assault/Battery of a Teacher</i>	Extended OSS. Police notification. Possible expulsion. Referral to the Superintendent.		
<i>Attendance-Cut Skipped Class</i>	One administrative detention	Two or more administrative detentions. Parent notification.	Possible one or more days ISS. Parent notification.
<i>Attendance-Cut/Skipped Detention</i>	One administrative detention	Two or more administrative detentions. Possible ISS. Parent notification	One or more assigned ISS. Parent notification
<i>Attendance-Cut Skipped ISS</i>	One additional day of ISS in conjunction with rescheduled day of ISS		
<i>Attendance-Left School Grounds</i>	One day ISS. Parent notification	Multiple days ISS. Parent notification.	
<i>Attendance-Tardy/Late</i>	One administrative detention after 3 tardies	Multiple administrative detentions after 5 unexcused tardies. Parent notification.	

<i>Attendance-Truant</i>	1-3 Administrative detentions. At five unexcused absences parent/guardian is notified. At ten unexcused absences parent/guardian is notified, a formal letter is mailed, and a request for a meeting is made	After 15 unexcused absences truancy paperwork may be filed	
<i>Bomb Threat</i>	Extended OSS. Police notification. Possible expulsion. Referral to the Superintendent.		
<i>Cheating/Plagiarism</i>	Student will receive a zero on the assignment. Parent notification.	Student will receive a zero on the assignment. National Honor Society notification. One day of ISS	Administration will decide on appropriate consequence per case.
<i>Communication/Electronic Devices</i>	Confiscation; student pick-up @ end of day	Parent pick-up and at least one detention	Possible loss of privilege; parent meeting
<i>Controlled Substance-Sale of/Possession with Intent to Sell</i>	Multiple days of OSS. Police notification; Parent meeting. Possible referral to the Superintendent. Referral to the Student Assistance Counselor.	Extended OSS. Police notification. Referral to Student Assistance Counselor. Possible expulsion. Referral to the Superintendent.	
<i>Controlled Substance-Possession or under the Influence</i>	5-10 days of OSS. Police notification. Parent meeting. Possible referral to the Superintendent. Referral to the Student Assistance Counselor.	Extended OSS. Parent notification. Police notification. Referral to Student Assistance Counselor. Possible expulsion. Referral to the Superintendent.	
<i>Disorderly Conduct</i>	A: class disruption:1-3 teacher detention B: Aggressive Behavior:1-3 Administrative	A: Class disruption: 1-3 administrative detentions, parent notification B: Aggressive	A: Class Disruption: 1-3 ISS. Parent notification. B: Aggressive Behavior: 1-10 days

	detentions. Parent notification	Behavior: 1-3 ISS. Parent notification.	OSS. Parent notification. Possible referral to Superintendent
<i>Fighting/Physical Altercation</i>	5-10 days OSS. Police notification. Parent notification. Possible referral to Superintendent	Extensive OSS. Police notification. Parent notification. Referral to Superintendent. Possible Expulsion	
<i>Fire Regulations Violation</i>	3-10 days OSS. Police notification. Parent notification. Possible referral to Superintendent		
<i>Forgery</i>	Dependent on the severity of the offense: 1-3 Administrative detentions. Parent notification. Possible police notification.	Depending on the severity of the offense: 1-3 ISS or 1-3 OSS. Parent notification. Possible police notification.	
<i>Gambling</i>	1-3 days ISS. Parent notification. Police notification.	1-3 days OSS. Parent notification. Police notification.	Multiple OSS. Parent notification. Police notification. Possible referral to Superintendent.
<i>Gang Activity-Non violent incident.</i>	1-10 days OSS dependent upon incident. Parent notification. Police notification. Referral to Student Assistance Counselor.	Extensive OSS. Parent notification. Police notification. Referral to Student Assistance Counselor. Referral to Superintendent.	
<i>Harassment-Stalking</i>	5-10 days OSS. Parent notification. Police notification. Referral to Student Assistance Counselor. Potential notification to Superintendent.	Extensive OSS. Parent notification. Police notification. Referral to Student Assistance Counselor. Referral to Superintendent.	
<i>Harassment-Sexual</i>	5-10 days OSS. Parent notification. Police notification. Referral to Student Assistance	Extensive OSS. Parent notification. Police notification. Referral to Student	

	Counselor. Potential notification to Superintendent.	Assistance Counselor. Referral to Superintendent.	
<i>Harassment-Prejudice/Hate Crime</i>	5-10 days OSS. Parent notification. Police notification. Referral to Student Assistance Counselor. Possible referral to Superintendent	Extensive OSS. Parent notification. Police notification. Referral to Student Assistance Counselor. Referral to Superintendent.	
<i>Hazing</i>	Dependent upon each case, ISS or OSS. Social Suspencion. Police notification. Parent notification. Possible referral to Superintendent.	Extensive OSS. Parent notification. Police notification. Referral to Superintendent.	
<i>Insubordination/Disrespect</i>	1-2 Administrative detentions	Multiple Administrative detentions. Parent notification	ISS or OSS; Parent meeting
<i>Kidnapping/Abduction</i>	Extensive OSS. Parent notification. Police notification. Referral to Superintendent.		
<i>Larceny/Theft</i>	1-10 days OSS. Parent notification. Police notification. Possible referral to Superintendent	Extensive OSS. Parent notification. Police notification.. Referral to Superintendent.	
<i>Obscene/Abusive language toward Student</i>	1 ISS or 1 OSS. Parent notification	Multiple days OSS. Parent notification.	Extensive OSS. Parent notification/meeting
<i>Obscene/Abusive language toward Teacher</i>	1-3 days ISS. Possible OSS. Parent notification.	1-5 days OSS. Parent notification. Possible notification to police and Superintendent.	
<i>Other:</i> <i>A.Lunch/corridor Misconduct</i> <i>B.Cyberbullying</i> <i>C.Overly display of affection</i>	A.Lunch misconduct: 1-3 Administrative detentions B. Cyberbullying:See Cyberbullying Policy C. Overly display of Affection: Warning	A.Lunch misconduct: 1-3 ISS. Parent notification. B. Cyberbullying:See Cyberbullying	A.Lunch misconduct: Possible OSS. Parent meeting. B. Cyberbullying:See Cyberbullying

<p><i>D. Food and drink</i> <i>E. Significant Disruption to learning environment</i> <i>F. Tardy to class</i></p>	<p>D. Food and drink: warning and removal E. Significant Disruption to learning environment: ISS or OSS. Parent notification. F. Tardy to class: 1 teacher detention</p>	<p>Policy C. Overly display of Affection: 1-3 Administrative detentions D. Food and drink: removal, parent notification. 1-3 Administrative detentions. E. Significant Disruption to learning environment: Multiple OSS. Parent meeting. F. Tardy to class: one administrative detention</p>	<p>Policy C. Overly display of Affection: 1-3 ISS. Possible Social suspension D. Food and drink: possible ISS. Parent notification. E. Significant Disruption to learning environment: Extended OSS. Parent meeting. Referral to Superintendent. F. Tardy to class: Up to 3 administrative detentions. Possible ISS. Parent notification.</p>
<p><i>Robbery</i></p>	<p>Extensive OSS. Parent notification. Police notification. Referral to Superintendent.</p>		
<p><i>Sexual Assault/Battery</i></p>	<p>Extensive OSS. Parent notification. Police notification. Referral to Superintendent.</p>		
<p><i>Sexual Misconduct</i></p>	<p>Extensive OSS. Parent notification. Police notification. Referral to Superintendent.</p>		
<p><i>Threatening or Intimidating language</i></p>	<p>Depending on the nature of the threat ISS or OSS. Parent notification. Possible police notification.</p>	<p>Multiple OSS; parent meeting. Police notification. Referral to Superintendent.</p>	
<p><i>Tobacco/Vaping</i></p>	<p>One day ISS. Parent notification. Referral to Student Assistant Counselor. Police notification</p>	<p>3 days of OSS; Parent meeting. Police notification.</p>	<p>Extended OSS: Parent notification. Police notification. Possible referral to Superintendent.</p>
<p><i>Trespassing</i></p>	<p>Depending on severity of the offense, one or more of the following: Administrative</p>		

	detention, ISS, OSS, police notification		
<i>Vandalism</i>	Depending on severity of the offense, one or more of the following: Administrative detention, ISS, OSS, police notification, restitution.		
<i>Weapon Possession</i>	Extensive OSS. Parent notification. Police notification. Referral to Superintendent.		

Cyberbullying

Any form of harassment using electronic devices commonly known as cyber-bullying by students is prohibited. Cyber-bullying is defined as using any electronic communication device to convey a message in any form that defames, intimates, harasses or is otherwise intended to harm, insult, humiliate in a deliberate, repeated or hostile and unwanted manner under a person's true or false identity. Any communication of this form that disrupts or prevents a safe educational environment may also be considered cyber-bullying. Students who make a report of cyber bullying are asked to preserve evidence of cyber-bullying. Students who violate this policy will be subject to disciplinary action dependent upon each case.

Zero Tolerance

Tiverton High School maintains zero tolerance on any student involved with possession of drugs/alcohol, violence, or harassment of any kind. Any student found to be involved with drugs/alcohol, violence, or harassment will be immediately suspended, police notified, and referred to the Superintendent for possible expulsion.

Search and Seizure

All lockers, closets, desks are retained by Tiverton High School. Students are entrusted to the care of these for the purpose of education. In order to preserve the safety of all school students and staff, all school property, including but not limited to lockers, closets, and desks are subject to search as determined necessary.

The following rules shall apply to periodic searches of students, school property, the property of individuals while en-route to or from school, to or from school events on school busses or in automobiles operated by students:

1. Searches of school property may be conducted at any time.
2. A search may be conducted on any area of property under the jurisdiction of the school and shall include items of personal property in the control of or possession of the student, including that which may be abandoned or discarded.

3. Searches shall be conducted based on reasonable suspicion that school rules or town, state, federal laws have or will be violated.
4. Administration is authorized to seize illegal items or contraband that may compromise the safety of students or staff or that present an overall threat to the school environment.
5. Items that may cause a disruption to the educational process or school environment may be temporarily removed from the student's possession.
6. A student refusal to submit to a search will be considered an act of admission and will be considered while designating a consequence.
7. The use of trained canines from law enforcement may occur anywhere on school property.

Definitions For the purpose of policy and these administrative procedures, the following definitions are applicable:

Contraband is all substances or materials, the presence of which is prohibited by school policy or state law, including but not limited to, controlled substances, drugs, alcohol, or alcoholic beverages, abusable glue or aerosol paint, guns, knives, weapons and incendiary devices.

Reasonable Suspicion is the standard for a search on school property or at school related events and is based on the school official's specific reasonable inferences which he/she is entitled to draw from the facts in light of the school official's experience. Specific reasonable inferences may be drawn from instances including, but not limited to, a tip from a reliable student, suspicious behavior that suggests that contraband is present, a smell indicating the presence of the contraband or a bulge in a pocket, etc. Reasonable suspicion should not be based on mere hunch.

School Property Student lockers, desks, etc., are deemed school property. The school exercises exclusive control over the school property, and students shall not expect privacy regarding items placed in school property because school property is subject to search if deemed necessary at any time by school officials.

Locker Searches Student lockers are school property and remain at all times under the control of the school; however, students are expected to assume full responsibility for the security of their lockers. School authorities for any reason may conduct periodic general inspections of lockers at any time without notice, without student consent, and without a search warrant. Upon request by the principal, any student who supplies his/her own lock shall immediately provide the building principal with the combination or duplicate key.

Automobile Searches Students are not permitted to park on school premises without the specific permission of the school principal. Under these circumstances, the school retains the authority to inspect the vehicle whenever there is reasonable suspicion that illegal or unauthorized materials are contained inside. Such inspections may be

conducted with specific permission of the school principal without notice, without student consent, and without a search warrant.

Personal Searches A student's person and/or personal effects (e.g., purse, book bag, etc.) may be searched whenever a school authority has reasonable suspicion to believe that the student is in possession of illegal or unauthorized materials. If a pat-down search of a student's person is conducted, it will be conducted in private by a school official of the same sex and with an adult witness present.

If extreme emergency conditions require a more intrusive search of a student's person, a school official of the same sex may only conduct such a search in private. An adult witness of the same sex must be present, and only upon the prior approval of the Superintendent or the Assistant Superintendent, or unless the health or safety of students will be endangered by the delay which might be caused by following these procedures.

Suggested Procedures If a school official has reasonable cause to believe that contraband is present, he/she may institute a search. Although the following procedures for a search are recommended, they are not mandated because the circumstance attendant to the need for each search may vary. The student should ordinarily be required to be present and asked to consent to the search. If after being informed of the basis for the school official's reason to search the student does not consent and the circumstances permit, the student's parent or guardian should be called and informed of the circumstances.

If the parent or guardian will not consent to the search, the school official may proceed with the search, contact security, or if necessary, call law enforcement authorities. Ordinarily, and if circumstances permit, the search of a person or his/her effects should be conducted out of the presence of other students.

Use of Canines The administration is authorized to utilize canines whose reliability and accuracy for sniffing out contraband has been established to aid in the search for contraband in school owned property and automobiles parked on school property. Canines shall not be used to search students unless school officials have established independently that there is reasonable cause to believe the student possesses contraband on his/her person. A qualified and authorized trainer who will be responsible for the dog's actions must accompany the canines. An indication by the dog that contraband is present on school property or an automobile shall be reasonable cause for a further search by school officials.

Notice

Students will be provided notice of the Policy and Administrative Procedures concerning search and seizure by having them placed in the student handbook or distributed by supplemental publication. A copy of the Policy and Administrative Procedures will also be posted in the Principal's office or another prominent place in each secondary school.

Seizure of Illegal Materials

If a properly conducted search yields illegal or contraband materials, the findings shall be turned over to proper legal authorities for ultimate disposition.

Severe infractions of school policy

High School administration has primary responsibility for actions taken.

In accordance with school policy, any long-term suspension (Beyond 10 days and up to 180 days) must be School Board approved. Any or all consequences will be used depending on severity of offense as determined by an administrator.

Suspension of Ten (10) Days or Less

The procedure for any students shall provide as a minimum the following:

1. The student is given oral or written notice of the charges against him/her;
2. If the student denies the charges, the student be given an explanation of the evidence the authorities possess, and be provided an opportunity to present his or her account of the incident.
3. The notice and hearing should generally precede the student's removal from school since the hearing may almost immediately follow the incident, but if prior notice and hearing are not feasible, as where the student's presence endangers persons or property or threatens disruption of the academic process, this justifies immediate removal from school with a hearing following as soon as practicable.
4. The parent and/or legal guardian shall be informed that his or her presence at school is required. The parent will be informed of the reasons for suspension and the duration. Such notice shall be given in the parent's spoken language, unless it is clearly not feasible to do so.
5. The student and his or her parent/guardian must be given the opportunity to be present at a hearing before the Principal who shall determine if the suspension should be continued on a day-to-day basis, up to a total of ten (10) days.
6. The Principal shall notify in writing the Superintendent of Schools, the student, and his/her parents and/or legal guardian of the reasons for his/her decision within twenty-four (24) hours after the suspension hearing.

During the suspension, a student will not be allowed to participate in any school-related activity: (i.e.) interscholastic league event, attend dances etc.

Suspension of Ten (10) or More Days

When a student's presence endangers or threatens disruption of the academic process thus justifying immediate removal from school, notice of a hearing shall follow as soon as possible. This process may be amended accordingly per a student's Individual Education Plan.

The student shall be afforded:

1. A clear, written statement of the reason for suspension or expulsion.
2. Notice of the right to prompt public or private hearing, at the student's election, and the right to be represented by counsel at such a hearing;
3. If a hearing is requested, the student shall be given a prompt notice setting the time and place of such hearing, with the time and place to be reasonably set so as to allow sufficient time for preparation, without undue delay.

In the event, a student has not attained the age majority (18 years), the parent or guardian shall be afforded the procedures stated in section 1, 2, and 3 above. (Such notice shall be written in the parent's spoken language, unless it is clearly not feasible to do so).

The student shall be afforded a hearing at which the student shall have a right to: Representation and participation by counsel; and cross-examine witnesses and to present witnesses in his or her behalf.

There shall be a complete and accurate (stenographic or electronic) record of the hearing including all exhibits. The record shall be preserved for transmission to the Commissioner of Education as soon as possible in the event of an appeal. The student shall be furnished a copy of the record without cost. A written decision shall be rendered, within a reasonable time, based exclusively on the record detailing the reasons and the factual basis therefore. The student shall promptly be provided with a copy of the decision. A copy of the decision, together with the record, shall be promptly forwarded to the Commissioner of Education if there is an appeal.

The administration will afford students who are involved with offenses that may lead to suspension an opportunity to write his/her version of an incident, following the prescribed informal hearing. This will be included in the record, and be part of any appeal to the principal, superintendent or the School Committee.

For 10 day external suspension by the Superintendent

A written statement of reasons for external suspension or expulsion including notice of right to private or public hearing. A formal hearing with all the rights and safeguards outlined by the Regents. A written decision rendered and communicated to the parent within a reasonable length of time.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Philosophy

The Tiverton Public Schools offers each and every student the opportunity to be involved in extracurricular activities. Yet, with that offering we want all involved club members, students in leadership roles, athletes, parents, team managers, scorers, cheerleaders, fans, coaches and any other group associated with our school to understand that it is an opportunity to participate. We should all understand that with

this privilege come some important responsibilities to Tiverton High School, families, and to the Town of Tiverton. At all times, students are expected to uphold the values that we represent and have represented for many years. It is expected that every student be dedicated to the ideals of hard work, sacrifice, and honesty. At all times, students are expected to attempt to make positive decisions, be loyal, act with maturity, and be willing to be a representative of Tiverton High and community. We encourage our students to demonstrate individual prowess, but also to demonstrate the quality character that is expected of an outstanding citizen and leader within the Tiverton community.

It is essential that all members clearly understand all standards of performance to which Tiverton High School students are expected to adhere. By attending and continuing to attend the activities, it is an expression of acceptance of these responsibilities and policies. Students that are not willing to accept these responsibilities and policies will not be allowed to participate. Any behaviors unbecoming of a Tiverton student will be investigated and disciplined as set forth by the Tiverton Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct.

Every advisor and coach is required and expected to immediately report any disciplinary infraction of a substantial nature to the assistant principal or athletic director who will then review the incident with the advisor/coach and the student. If any disciplinary action is taken, the assistant principal/athletic director will notify the student and his/her parents. If the circumstances warrant, the principal or superintendent may be notified of the infraction as well as the disciplinary action that was taken by the advisor/coach. A parent/guardian can have the case reviewed by the following procedure:

- The student and/or parent/guardian will meet with the advisor/coach, athletic director or assistant principal to review the disciplinary action.
- If requested, the parent will meet with the principal.
- After meeting with the Principal, the parent may appeal to the Superintendent of Schools.

Substance Abuse

Tiverton High School recognizes that the misuse and abuse of chemicals by students, both on and off campus, negatively affects health, academic performance and achievement, extra-curricular participation and development of related skills.

All students at Tiverton High School must follow this code in order to participate in any extra-curricular activity. This code of conduct will apply to all school and non-school related activities. Current school policies describing penalties for violations on school grounds involving tobacco, drugs, or alcohol are also in effect and will run concurrently with this code.

- Tobacco Use/Vape Use
 - First offense*: Warning; recorded offense with Athletic Director.
 - Second offense*: Automatic suspension from all athletic programs for a period of 14 calendar days from the day of the infraction. Suspension will carry into the next school year and the next sport if the 14 days is not completed in that same year of the suspension. Parents will be notified and students will meet with student assistance counselor.
 - Third offense*: Automatic suspension from all athletic programs for a period of 28 days of the total games, practice or meetings of the season of which the athlete is currently enrolled. Suspension will carry into the next school year and the next sport if the 28 days is not completed in that same year of the suspension. Parents will be notified and students will meet with student assistance counselor.
- Drug/Alcohol Use
 - First offense*: Automatic suspension from all athletic programs for a period of 14 calendar days from the day of the infraction. Suspension will carry into the next school year and the next sport if the 14 days is not completed in that same year of the suspension. Parents will be notified and students will meet with student assistance counselor.
 - Second offense*: Automatic suspension from all athletic programs for a period of 28 calendar days from the day of the infraction. Suspension will carry into the next school year and the next sport if the 28 days is not completed in that same year of the suspension. Parents will be notified and students will meet with student assistance counselor. The athlete may be recommended for enrollment in a certified treatment program
- Drug, Alcohol, Tobacco, or Vape Distribution
 - Automatic suspension for 365 days from the athletic program. Parents will be notified and students will meet with student assistance counselor.

Academic Eligibility

All students who participate in any co-curricular activity must pass sixty percent of all classes of which they are enrolled. This will be based on term grades for all students. A student will be declared academically ineligible for the entire term, effective the first day of the next term.

Attendance

To be eligible to play in games, attend practice, and participate in co-curricular activities, the student must attend what is considered a full day of school. Any student who arrives after 10:50 am will not be considered as meeting that requirement. If a student is absent on a Friday, the student must gain permission from the Athletic Director or Administration to participate in any weekend co-curricular activities.

School Suspensions

If a student is suspended either internally or externally, all co-curricular activities are suspended for that student as well.

Hazing

Any student involved in any act of hazing is subject to suspension from the co-curricular program for the remainder of the year.

Athletic Department Requirements

Athletic eligibility will be determined by the current standards of the Rhode Island Interscholastic League rules. This may be accessed at www.RIIL.org.

Insurance

The school requires that all band members/athletes demonstrate that there is some form of health insurance in the family. If there is no insurance, it is mandatory that the student take the school insurance to participate.

- Each athlete will be asked to fill out an insurance form requesting the parents to name and give the insurance policy number as proof of their policy. If there is no insurance the student/athlete will not be allowed to participate until school insurance has been purchased.
- All student/athletes must report each injury, however minor, to the advisor/coach.
- The student or his/her parent should obtain insurance claim forms from the main office of the high school.
- Once the parent has completed the insurance form, it should be submitted to the Advisor/Athletic Director for completion and submission to the insurance company.
- The school will not be accountable for a student's failure to report an injury. It is highly recommended that all parents take out the school insurance plan to increase coverage protection.
- The Rhode Island Injury Fund will cover all expenses that an athlete incurs that insurance does not cover if both school and personal insurance coverage are presented. If there is only one insurance, they will deduct at least \$100.00 of the overall payment in regard to payment of the total bill.
- Parents can apply for additional coverage from the Rhode Island Injury Fund. Forms can be obtained from the Athletic Director.

Travel Attire and Bus Regulations

- Acceptable conduct is expected at all times and the individual advisor/coach determines attire.
- All team personnel are required to take the team bus to and from away events/contests.

- A student may ride to/from away contests only with parents, providing the Athletic Director/Vice Principal has approved a written request and the advisor/coach has been notified.
- A student will not be given permission to ride to and from an event/contest with any other third party.
- Parents are asked to refrain from making this request, as law precludes the high school from releasing players to any persons other than the parents or legal guardians directly.

Alcohol and Drug Policy, Physical, Risk, insurance and Medical Consent Forms

- All athletes must pass a physical exam and complete a medical history form. This form must be completed after July 1 of the upcoming school year or the physical exam will not be considered valid.
- Parents must sign this form giving the student consent to participate and understand that he/she must abide by the Tiverton Athletic Code of Conduct.
- The doctor must sign and give consent for the athlete to participate.
- Parents and students are responsible for arranging their own physical examinations.
- All student/athletes and their parents must read, understand, and sign our Drug, Alcohol and Tobacco Policy before they can be allowed to participate.
- Risk forms are required for all sports and must be signed by the parent and the student and notarized. All freshmen sports require one Middle School Risk Form as well. This risk form only has to be filled out once in the athlete's 4 years of participation at Tiverton.
- Parents must fill out the insurance form demonstrating that they have private health insurance or school insurance. This form must be completed and returned before their child can participate.
- The medical consent form is filled out prior to each athletic season that an athlete is involved in so treatment can be given, if necessary, if an injury occurs, and the parent cannot be reached by the hospital.
- Each of these forms must be completed and returned to the respective head coach prior to participation. If any form is missing, the athlete will not be allowed to start competition until all necessary paperwork is completed.

School Equipment Returned/Eligibility for the Next Season

- Students are accountable for all athletic equipment/supplies and uniforms issued to them. These items are to be returned within a week after the completion of their season.
- In the event that the requirements are not met within the stipulated time frame, notification will be mailed to the student's parents in the form of a bill.
- Until said equipment, supplies, or uniforms are returned or reimbursed, that student will become ineligible for the next extra-curricular activity.

