

HHS Unified TAD Policy

In order to have a unified and consistent policy at HHS we are going to go with the following this school-wide TAD policy:

- First TAD violation will include loss of half the remaining season contests with a minimum of 3 full weeks out of competition, whichever is longer.
- Second TAD violation will result in loss of an entire season.

Reasoning behind this decision:

- The minimum of three weeks out of competition is to deal with end of season issues. We had many parent complaints that athletes were out a couple of weeks and then played at regions. This would also be helpful if a TAD happened 2 weeks before the end of the season. In this case, without the 3 week policy they would only be out one week.
- We don't treat proximity or TAD offences differently. In both cases all athletes know they are not supposed to knowingly be in a place where there is underage drinking or drug use going on. It is also very hard to tell if students were drinking or using drugs and in most cases students were drinking or using when they initially said they weren't. We do not punish students for picking up friends as long as they don't go into the party or gathering.

What this policy doesn't cover and coaches can include in their handbooks is given below.

If a student has a TAD violation during the season coaches can:

- Kick athletes off the varsity team for a first TAD violation. (If no JV, this means they could still practice, but not compete)
- Not start the athlete on any team (C-team, JV & Varsity)
- Determine whether athletes play in the post season