

# **Stanberry R-II Schools**

## **Citizen Standards for Eligibility**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Sport \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Last First)

Student activities in the Stanberry R-II School District provide a program for students to pursue special interests in addition to the more formal classroom activities. Student activities help develop leadership abilities, promote school spirit and loyalty, establish habits of good citizenship, and provide opportunities to learn and work as a part of a group. Although student activities are important for the all-around development of our students, they must become of secondary importance. Regular classroom work must come first.

The Stanberry School Policy will be followed regarding citizenship and disciplinary actions. A student shall not be considered eligible while under suspension. The student who is expelled or who withdraws from school because of disciplinary measures shall not be considered eligible for 365 days from the date of expulsion or withdrawal. If a student misses more than one half day of class on the date of a contest or practice without being excused by the principal, he or she shall not be considered eligible on that date.

The Stanberry R-II School District has traditionally been represented by excellent students who are outstanding citizens. Only a few students make errors in judgment which makes necessary a review of their citizenship. The following citizenship standards for eligibility have been approved as school policy for Stanberry High School and are applicable to any student who represents their school:

- Participation in student activities is a privilege and not a right. Therefore, students shall exhibit standards of behavior which bring credit to the student, the activity, the school, and the community.
- Stanberry High School believes that consistent administration of this policy is important from activity to activity, and that appropriate due process procedures must be followed before any student is suspended from participation.
- All disciplinary actions involved with extracurricular activities will follow school policy defined on page 8 of the Student Handbook

In addition to these standards, students must abide by the rules and regulations of the Missouri State High School Activities Association. The following rules are included in the rules of the MSHSAA official handbook, and are listed here to help students and parents understand state requirement and to help avoid a misunderstanding which could lead to violations of eligibility standards.

1. A student who misses a class on the date of a contest/practice without being excused by a principal shall not be eligible to represent his/her school on that date.
2. Any student who withdraws from school because of disciplinary measures shall not be eligible for any interscholastic activity for one full year from the date of the withdrawal.

3. As MSHSAA states, any student in grades 9-12 must be currently enrolled in courses that offer a total of two and one-half units of credit, and must have earned two and one-half units of credit in courses that met the preceding semester in which he was in attendance in high school. However, by policy of the Stanberry R-II School District, a student-athlete will not be eligible to participate with a failing grade.
4. A junior or senior high student may be eligible in a public school only in the district in which his/her parents, legally established guardian, or person with whom he has been living for one calendar year, and which is designated as the school for him to attend by the Board of Education.
5. Non-school competition: Before competing in any non-school competition, check with your coach or member of the administration. Refer to MSHSAA handbook (By-Law 3.13)
6. The school shall require of each student before the student is allowed to practice or participate, a physician's certificate stating that he/she is physically able to participate in athletic contests of his/her school.
7. A student shall not be permitted to practice or compete for a school until it has verification that he/she has basic athletic insurance coverage.

The Board of Education believes in and fosters a safe and orderly environment for all students, staff, and visitors.

Therefore, the Board of Education has established a code of conduct for parents, patrons, and visitors on school premises and at school activities. All parents, patrons, and visitors will be expected to conduct themselves in a manner reflective of a positive role model for children. Form 1431 provides a guide for administrators to use with parents to inform them of this policy and to help provide a positive environment for students during activities. Public displays contrary to this expectation as provided in Regulation 1431 will result in sanctions which will limit a person's access to school activities and school premises.

Please sign and return to your coach or activity sponsor. No student will be allowed to participate in any interscholastic activity or school related activities before the public, until this form is signed and on file in the office.

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(Student's Signature)

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(Parent's Signature)

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