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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS, DODDS-EUROPE
HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS, DODDS-EUROPE

SUBJECT: DoDDS-Europe Athletic Policy on Controlled Substances

A. **PURPOSE:** This is to establish the DoDDS-Europe athletic policy regarding use of controlled substances.

B. **APPLICABILITY:** This policy applies to all students participating in the DoDDS-Europe athletic program.

C. **POLICY:** The possession, use, or sale of controlled or mind-altering substances, tobacco, alcoholic beverages, hallucinogenic drugs, inhalants, or combination of drugs or paraphernalia expressly prohibited by federal, or local laws, including prohibited substances which shall include those substances possessed, sold, and/or used that are held out to be, or represented to be, controlled substances by any student are prohibited.

1. Members of an athletic team who, during the season (the 1st day of practice through the awards ceremony), violate the controlled substance policy during the school day, on or off school property (to include while riding to or from school, school events or school buses) or while attending/participating in a DoDDS-E function under the jurisdiction of the school, are subject to the following:
 - (a) 1st offense during the school year: Team member will be removed from the team for the remainder of the season.
 - (b) 2nd offense during the school year: Team member is removed from athletic participation for the remainder of the school year.
2. Members of an athletic team who, during the season, possess/use tobacco and/or alcohol - outside of the time and events stated above in point 1, are subject to the following:
 - (a) 1st offense during the school year: Team member is suspended from all competition for the next seven calendar days. If the suspension occurs during a time period when games are not scheduled, the team member will miss the

next scheduled competition. If traveling on an overnight trip, team member will miss the entire weekend of competition.

For the team member to be reinstated to the team, the student-athlete must show proof of attending one counseling session and scheduling and attending at least two more counseling sessions within the next three weeks. If the offense occurs at the end of a sport season, the seven calendar days and one athletic competition will be carried over to the next season that the athlete participates.

- (b) 2nd offense during the school year: Team member is removed from athletic participation for the remainder of the school year.

D. EFFECTIVE DATE: This policy is effective August 1, 2004.



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