2026-2027

Slinger Middle School

Activity Code Handbook

Authors' Club
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Drama Club
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The 2026-2027 Activity Code Handbook is published so students and parents have pertinent information concerning activity programs at Slinger Middle School. This handbook includes general information and guidelines concerning the organization of these programs. In addition, it serves as a resource on information and guidelines about conduct during Slinger Middle School activities for participating students.

The Board of Education of the School District of Slinger supports co-curricular activities to provide students an opportunity to participate under the supervision of qualified personnel in controlled and structured activities and competitions within the school and inter scholastically between schools.

When a student elects to participate, she or he automatically and without reservation acknowledges these rules and guidelines and must adhere to them from the beginning to the end of her or his participation in these activities. Please read the guidelines carefully and direct any questions to the activity's advisor, associate principal or principal.

A student shall not participate in regularly-held practices, meetings or contests until the advisor has the 2026-2027 Activity Code Handbook form signed by the student and parent or guardian. The form is located on the last page of this handbook.

Guidelines

Attendance:

A student is eligible for middle school interscholastic competition, practice and regularly scheduled meetings if the student attends school for four full class periods during the day. Homeroom, GRIT and lunch are not considered class periods.

Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drug Use:

Slinger Middle School will not tolerate students being involved with alcohol consumption, tobacco products or use of unauthorized drugs. If a student finds herself or himself in a situation where underage drinking or drug use is occurring, we expect the student to leave immediately. If, through our investigation, we find that the student did not take this action and remained in a situation involving alcohol or drugs, the sanctions listed below will be implemented. If it is found that a student has used tobacco or drug products, the same penalties will be applied.

First offense:	The student will be suspended from contests equal to 20% of the season. This number may carry-over to the student's next extra-curricular season.
Second offense:	Suspension from all extra-curricular activities for the remainder of the school year.

Scholastic Regulations:

All students will start an extracurricular activity season eligible to participate. A student must pass all classes and stay in good standing during a grading period to remain eligible to participate.

Activities are a privilege and schoolwork must come first. If a student consistently fails to complete or hand-in classroom work, she or he will be referred to school administration so the advisor and school administrator can talk with the student and parents about completing and turning in work.

First referral:	Advisor is notified
Second referral:	Principal and advisor will meet with the student. Parents are notified of the referral and that another referral is grounds for dismissal.
Third referral:	Dismissal from the activity through current academic year.

Grades for eligibility will be checked at the end of each quarter for all activities.

At the grade check, any student with an F or two D's will be placed on probation for three weeks. The advisor and principal will ensure communication is sent to the parents or guardians explaining the probationary status.

- Probation guidelines for all except Forensics
  - May not participate in meetings for the duration of the probation.
  - A grade check will be conducted by school administration at the end of three weeks:
    - If the grade check doesn't have an F or two D's, the student may participate without restriction.
    - If the grade check has an F or two D's, the student will be removed from activity for the remainder of the year.
- Probation guidelines for Forensics
  - Students with an F or two D's will not participate in any Forensics contests, but may practice.
  - A grade check will be conducted by school administration at the end of three weeks:
    - If the grade check doesn't have an F or two D's, the student may participate without restriction.
    - If the grade check has an F or two D's, the student will be removed from activity for the remainder of the year.

Practice and Conduct Regulations:

1. When a student signs up for an activity, it is expected the student makes a full commitment to every practice, meeting and contest. At times, personal schedules may need to be rearranged to give the time that the activity requires. An unexcused absence will be determined by a coach depending on the situation, circumstance and attendance record. Participants must realize that a commitment to an activity means giving their first priority in time and energy to that activity. **School activities have priority over club and recreation teams or activities**.
2. If a student misses the last meeting or practice before the contest or event because of detention, unexcused absence or suspension from school or from practice she or he will be suspended from participation for that practice, meeting or contest.
3. A student may not participate in any practice, meeting or contest if she or he serves a detention or suspension on that same day.
4. For any conduct that brings criticism on the student body and the School District of Slinger, the student will be suspended for <u>an indefinite period of time</u>. The amount of time is up to the discretion of school administrators.
5. When the advisor is notified that a student:

- has been disrespectful in class,
- has numerous tardies to school,
- is consistently not prepared for class,
- has a sudden drop in grades,

The advisor and school administrator may institute an appropriate consequence to let that student know positive classroom conduct and upkeep in grades are required in order to participate in extracurricular activities.

Transportation:

1. Parents may transport their child to and from any contests. Please keep the coach informed of your intention to do this.
2. There will be limited school-sponsored transportation to and from contests to those not riding with parents. If school-sponsored transportation will be utilized by your child, please fill out the District Transportation Waiver at the start of the season.
3. Parents may only take their child home from contests unless the non-family student has a note of permission signed by their parent/guardian or the parent/guardian has sent an email to the coach allowing the other parent to provide transportation. **Texts to the coach <u>do not</u> fulfill this requirement**.
4. Participants leaving the event must check-out with a coach before leaving.
5. **Participants are to stay until the end of the contest. Part of being a contributing member is supporting the rest of the group. Please help us to build this type of support**.

Materials:

1. Materials issued to a student for an activity are recorded when assigned to a student. The student is accountable for that material throughout the season and until it is checked in to the advisor of the activity. Any materials missing must be paid for by the student at replacement cost. No new materials will be issued until missing materials are found or paid for.
2. No materials shall be used for any reason outside of the regularly scheduled practices and contests.
3. If a student is removed from the activity for a code violation or chooses not to complete the season, materials must be returned immediately.
4. A student will not be allowed to participate in another activity if all issued materials from a previous participation have not been turned-in or replacement fees paid in full.

Care of personal belongings:

1. The student should make sure all personal belongings, clothing and other valuables are in a locked locker or within her or his eyesight at all times. It is best not to bring valuables to practice if they cannot be watched.

Health and Welfare:

1. **Injuries and accidents**

    - In the best interest of the health and welfare of participants, all injuries incurred while participating in school-sponsored practices, meetings or contests must be reported to the adult in charge regardless of the degree of seriousness. Injuries that may require professional medical attention must be reported to the office to initiate a school claim should the parent's insurance not fully cover the costs.

2. **Insurance**

    a. Medical insurance to cover medical services of a student participating in a school sponsored activity is the sole responsibility of the parent or guardian's insurance plan.
    b. The School District of Slinger has supplementary insurance to cover those injuries or costs not paid by the student's primary insurer. Please see Mrs. Cauwels in the school office for assistance should you need this coverage.

Club Advisors

Yearbook
Mrs. Poirier
Student Council (StuCo)
Mrs. Lastovich
National Junior Honor Society (NJHS)
Mr. Treml
Chess Club
Mr. Neumann
Video Club
Mrs. Meyer
Kiwanis Builder's Club
Mr. Steedman
Forensics Coaches
Mrs. Noonan
Mrs. Fisher
FFA
Ms. Janz
DECA
Mrs. Murkowski
STEM Club
Mrs. Kiefer
Battle of the Books/Author's Club
Mr. Walter

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- I have read the Slinger Middle School Activity Code and understand and accept all of the rules and consequences listed within.
- By signing the code, I agree to abide by all of the rules and regulations listed in the Code.
- I understand the regulations are in effect the whole school year and apply to all school athletics.

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Student's Name (printed)

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Student Signature

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Date

I have reviewed and discussed the code with my child.

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Parent Signature

Please remove this page from the handbook and hand it in with other required forms.