

Dulaney High School Character Code

Representing Dulaney High School is an honor and a privilege. Being a member and/or leader of a Dulaney club, organization, or activity carries with it a responsibility to act and behave in a manner that upholds the highest of ethical standards and brings honor and distinction to our school community and to each individual who represents Dulaney High School. This code establishes guidelines for behavior that is expected of all students who participate in any extracurricular activity at Dulaney High School. It is also understood that students will abide by behavioral standards and county guidelines as outlined in the Baltimore County Public Schools *Student Handbook* and any county/state/national rules that may be established for their specific club or organization.

Academic Honesty

Students will display academic honesty and responsible decision-making. The Baltimore County Board of Education defines *Academic Dishonesty* as: *Dishonesty or cheating that occurs when a person attempts to pass, as their own, work that is not theirs. Examples: receiving help on a test including copying or receiving answers or giving help to another person, lending or borrowing homework or class work without the teacher's permission, copying out of books or other sources (internet sites are included in this category) without giving credit to authors.*

Substance Abuse

Students will not use illegal substances and will not attend or participate in any activity that involves the use of prohibited substances.

Behavior

Students will behave in such a manner to honor themselves, the school, the club or organization.

Please be aware that:

- The Character Code is in effect from August 15 through the last scheduled day of a school year.
- Formal police charges involving drugs, alcohol, or other criminal activities that occur outside of school may initiate the process.
- To be fair and equitable, each consequence will extend into the next school year if the offense is committed in late spring.

Consequences for Academic Dishonesty and Substance Abuse

Leaders (e.g. captain/co-captain, president, vice president, treasurer, etc.) will not be eligible for a leadership position for twelve months.

Members of Clubs/Organizations

1 st Offense	Four week suspension
2 nd Offense	Eight week suspension
3 rd Offense	Expelled from participation for twelve months

Members of Athletic Teams

1 st Offense	Three week suspension (one-third of season)
2 nd Offense	Six week suspension or the remainder of the season
3 rd Offense	Expelled from participation for twelve months

Consequences for Behavior

The Baltimore County Public Schools *Student Handbook* will guide our actions involving situations that fall within our scope of authority.

Category I Offenses – These are the least severe offenses that may result in a student's suspension by an administrator. Any additional action will be at the discretion of the coach, advisor, or sponsor.

Category II Offenses – Will result in the same consequences as outlined for Academic Dishonesty and Substance Abuse.

Category III Offenses - Students are suspended to the Board of Education with the recommendation for expulsion. High school students are expelled for two marking periods. No additional action is necessary unless this is a student's third offense involving substance abuse or academic dishonesty.