

Steps for School Administration to Strengthen and Enforce Codes of Conduct

STEP 1: REVIEW CURRENT CODES

- Send current code of conduct to NHIAA for review.
- Form a policy committee made up of people such as athletic director, principal, students, coaches, school board members.
- The NHIAA will review the code and send back recommendations.
- Set up a time to review codes and recommendations with the NHIAA.

STEP 2: UPDATE CODES

- Schedule a regular policy committee meeting to incorporate NHIAA recommendations into existing codes.
- Seek their feedback to improve the codes.
- Invite other stakeholders such as superintendent, school board members, parents, athletes, and coaches.

STEP 3: ADOPT CODES

Once the policy committee is satisfied with the revised codes, seek approval from school board or similar group to adopt them.

STEP 4: ENFORCE CODES

Ensure violations are handled consistently and in accordance with the codes the policy committee has created.

- Educate all stakeholders on changes to the code of conduct and processes for enforcing them at pre-season meetings.
- Utilize NHIAA web-based educational resources if a student has a code infraction. Ensure that student and parent watch web-based trainings as a condition to return to play.

