

**St. Clair County Community College
Athletic Department
Drug and Alcohol Testing Program**

1. The overall goal of the St. Clair County Community College Athletic Department's Drug and Alcohol Testing Program is to promote a year-round drug-free environment within the SC4 athletic department.

a) Objectives to be met by such Program:

- (1) To protect the student athlete (health, safety, and welfare).
- (2) To address the possible problem, identify and treat the student athlete's problems with drug or alcohol use.
- (3) To inform and educate the student athlete on the effects of drug or alcohol use and abuse.
- (4) To protect the institutions self image.
- (5) To maintain a competitive equality for all student athletes.

b) The program will focus on four concerns to ensure the health of the student athlete:

- (1) Performance Enhancing Drugs – help students to understand that they do not have to take these dangerous substances in order to feel more competitive.
- (2) Street Drugs – teach the student athlete about the addiction involved and how the use of such drugs or alcohol could impair their mental and physical well being.
- (3) Consumption of Alcohol – 90% of the undesirable behaviors observed among students on college campuses result from alcohol use and over use.
- (4) Twelve month program that will assist in abstinence through drug testing and education.

2. The Dean of Students Office will provide assistance, direction, and information for the student athletes who need additional support as a result of positive tests, physician referral, or other addressed needs. This component seeks to provide appropriate follow up and rehabilitation for students who test positive while addressing psychological, social, and medical well being.

3. The Drug Testing Program will consist of three types of testing.

- (1) Random drug testing for performance enhancing drugs
- (2) Reasonable suspicion drug testing for street drugs
- (3) Random drug testing for street drugs

Each athletic team or individual student athlete can be randomly chosen for drug testing at any time. The Director of Athletics will notify the student athlete and head coach of a positive result.

4. A student athlete may appeal a positive test result. The student athlete must give the Director of Athletics written notice of the student's intent to appeal within two days of receiving the results of the test. The director will convene a three person committee to hear the appeal. The committee will consist of one college administrator, one head coach (not the athletes own coach), and one faculty member. The committee will receive all evidence of the student athlete's drug and alcohol use including all positive tests. The student will then present his/her appeal. The Committee will reach a decision within five working days and will notify the student and the Director of Athletics in writing of the decision and original recommended action.

5. A positive test will result in the following penalties:
- (1) First Positive Test – The student athlete will be suspended from the athletic program for a minimum of thirty days and until the athlete is determined to be drug free. The student athlete must go through mandatory counseling in order to reinstate or re-establish eligibility.
 - (2) Second Positive Test – The student athlete will be permanently removed from the SCCCC athletic program and will not be eligible for reinstatement. A second positive test will result in forfeiture of all scholarships to this student.

Consent to testing under the St Clair County Community College Athletic Department’s Drug and Alcohol Testing Program

I hereby consent to have my urine collected and examined for the presence of certain drugs or substance in accordance with the provisions set by the St. Clair County Community College Athletic Department’s Drug and Alcohol Testing Program.

I further authorize St. Clair County Community College or an agent acting on the College’s behalf to make a confidential release to the Director of Athletics and Campus Activities, the Athletic Trainer, my parents or legal guardians, the head coach of my particular sport, and counselors participating within the drug program. This release would include information and results of tests and any penalties imposed.

I waive any privilege I may have in connection with the release of such information to the limited extent set forth within this document.

I understand that urine samples are sent to an outside laboratory for testing.

I also release St. Clair County Community College employees involved from legal responsibility or liability for the release of such information and record or any other action taken pursuant to the Drug and Alcohol Testing Program as authorized within this form.

Student-Athlete Name (print)

Sport

Student-Athlete (signature)

Date

Parent/Guardian Name (print)

I am 18 or over ____
I am under 18 ____
please initial

Parent/Guardian (signature)
(required if student is under 18)