

Lexington One Board Policy JJIE and its regulations JJIE-R Random Student Drug-Testing Program

The Lexington County School District One Board of Trustees recently voted to amend Board Policy JJIE and JJIE-R (Random Student Drug-Testing Program) to include student drivers in the random drug-testing pool for the 2016–2017 school year.

This policy change means that all high school students who wish to purchase an on-campus parking permit must consent to the random drug-testing program. Their parents/legal guardians must also approve their participation in the random drug-testing program.

All seventh- through 12th-grade students who participate in interscholastic athletic competition are still covered under this policy. However, due to the substantial changes to the policy, all returning student athletes and their parents/legal guardians will need to fill out the form again in order to re-affirm their consent to the random drug-testing program.

Each middle and high school will have copies of the amended board policy and consent form at registration/schedule pick up day.

The consent form must be signed and returned in order for a student to receive on-campus driving privileges and/or be allowed the opportunity to participate in any interscholastic athletic competition.

Student drivers, who are also student athletes, and their parents/legal guardians will only need to sign one consent form.

Student drivers, who are also student athletes, will be subject to both suspension consequences if they fail a drug test.

Consequences for student drivers and student athletes

First Offense

Student Athletes

- 14-calendar-day athletic suspension effective the day the student is notified of the offense.
- Mandatory drug counseling program provided by a certified counselor.

Student Drivers

- 14-calendar-day driving-on-campus suspension effective the day the student is notified of the offense.
- Mandatory drug counseling program provided by a certified counselor.

Second Offense

Student Athletes

- 60-calendar-day athletic suspension effective the day the student is notified of the offense.
- Mandatory drug counseling program provided by a certified counselor.

Student Drivers

- 60-calendar-day driving-on-campus suspension effective the day the student is notified of the offense.
- Mandatory drug counseling program provided by a certified counselor.

Third Offense

Student Athletes

- Calendar-year athletic suspension effective the day the student is notified of the offense.
- Mandatory drug counseling program provided by a certified counselor.

Student Drivers

- Calendar-year driving-on-campus suspension effective the day the student is notified of the offense.
- Mandatory drug counseling program provided by a certified counselor.

Fourth Offense

Student Athletes

- Permanent athletic suspension effective the day the student is notified of the offense.

Student Drivers

- Permanent driving-on-campus suspension effective the day the student is notified of the offense.

Some reminders

- Lexington County School District One implemented a random drug-testing program for students who participated in school-sponsored interscholastic athletic competition prior to the 2015–2016 school year.
- As part of this program, student athletes and their parents/legal guardians in our middle and high schools consented to the students taking random drug tests.
- Prior to the 2016–2017 school year, the Lexington One School Board voted to amend Board Policies JJIE and JJIE-R to include students who drive and park on campus in our random drug-testing pool.
- The amended policy requires that all student athletes and student drivers and their parents/legal guardians must consent to the amended policy in order for the students to participate in athletics and/or drive and park on campus.
- Student athletes, who are also student drivers, will only be included in the random drug-testing pool one time.
- Student athletes, who are also student drivers, will be subject to both categories of consequences if they fail a drug test.