# Addendum 2021-22 Athlete/Parent Handbook

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  - c. Third Violation:
    - 1. Suspended from 30% of the games or activities scheduled.
  - d. Fourth Violation:
    - 1. Suspended from 40% of the games or activities scheduled.

## Page 6 – VI. ATHLETIC INJURIES

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