

SOUTH SIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE CONTRACT

To lessen the disparity between team protocols and behavior consequences, and to enhance the individual experience, the South Side Middle School Athletic program adopts the following basic expectations of its members. By signing and returning page-two of this contract to my coach, I am agreeing to abide by these standards and accept any corresponding consequences:

1. I understand that if my medical clearance is not obtained by the first day of practice/tryouts, I will not be eligible to participate until I have clearance. For teams that have tryouts, this will result in loss of tryout opportunities. If I am not cleared and participating by the 4th practice of the season, I will not be permitted to participate on the team this season.
2. I understand that if I am not in school, I cannot participate in after school activities. If I leave school for a doctor's appointment, I must be present for at least 5 periods and signed back in to school before the end of the day to be eligible to participate in practices or games.
3. I will exhibit good sportsmanship on and off the field of play during practices and games. If I do not, I understand that my coach may send me home for the day, sit me out the rest of that game, and/or possibly suspend me from my next eligible game.
4. I will commit myself to my team and I understand that I am not permitted to leave early on a regular basis throughout the season for any school club or outside activity. I will commit myself to attending all practices and games from beginning to end. I understand that if I miss a practice the day before a game, I will not be eligible to participate in the game. I also understand that leaving practice early will reduce my playing time.
5. I understand that I am required to travel on the bus to and from all athletic practices and games. In the special circumstance that my parent/guardian needs to take me home, I will get approval at least 24 hours in advance by emailing the "Parent Pick-up Consent Form" to the Athletic Director. This form can be found on the athletic website.
6. **I understand that if I choose to use alcohol, drugs, tobacco, e-cigarettes, juul, or vape, on or off campus during the season it will result in game suspension(s).**
7. I understand that if I am assigned a lunch or after school detention, I will forfeit the opportunity to engage in practice or participate in the game on that date. There will be no alteration of the assigned detention date to accommodate my game day.
8. I understand that if I am assigned in-school or out-of-school suspension, and it is team, teammate or substance related, I may also forfeit the opportunity to participate in my next eligible athletic game upon my return to school. A serious infraction may result in additional suspensions from games upon return from the school suspension.
9. I will dress and participate in physical education class every day. If I chose not to, I understand that I will forfeit the opportunity to engage in practice or participate in my game on that date.
10. I understand that all personal items must be stored in my locker before I exit the locker room for sports.
11. I understand that once I exit the locker room and the building, I will not be permitted to re-enter the building or locker room without my coach or a supervisor.
12. I understand that I should use the bathroom before the practice/game starts, and make sure that I have everything that I need prior to exiting the locker room (equipment, water bottle, sweatshirt, etc.)
13. I understand that if I have permission to be picked up early from a practice/game, I will need to bring all of my belongings with me to the practice/game location.
14. I understand that multiple infractions of any of the above rules can result in permanent suspension from the team.

Keep this page for your reference

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PLEASE RETURN THIS PAGE ONLY

Student Athletes name (Printed): _____

Grade: _____

Team/Coach: _____

I, _____, have read and understand this athletic contract. I know if any rule is broken; appropriate action will be taken which can include the suspension from or permanent removal from the team. Additionally, I understand that my coach may suspend me from attending practices or games if he/she deem it necessary based on my behavior.

Student Signature

Date

As a parent/guardian of the South Side Middle School athlete listed above, I am acknowledging the practices outlined in this contract. I approve of these guidelines and will help my son/daughter maintain these standards. I understand that if there is an issue that I would like to discuss with the coach, the most appropriate method is to email or call the coach the following day to set up a meeting or have a phone conversation. As a spectator I agree to positively encourage both teams from the sidelines and not address the referees in any way.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date
