

PLEASANT VALLEY
SCHOOL DISTRICT

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION

**123-AR-2. PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
STUDENT-ATHLETE AGREEMENT**

All participants in all Pleasant Valley School District (PVSD) sports shall be required to sign this code prior to being allowed to try out, practice or participate. It is the responsibility of the Head Coach to assure that no PVSD student-athlete tries out, practices or participates who has not read and signed the following code.

Student-Athlete

As a student-athlete, I agree to abide by the following rules of habit and conduct, and as parent(s)/guardian(s) of a student-athlete we support the following. As a student-athlete:

- I will always conduct myself as a lady/gentleman representing my school, my parent(s)/guardian(s), my community, and my country. I will treat other student-athletes, students, officials, coaches, volunteers, and spectators with respect and will address all adults with respect at all times.
- I will comply with the rules and regulations approved and set forth by the league/conference, District XI, PIAA and/or any other governing body.
- I will not participate or be involved in any form of hazing activity and understand that hazing is strictly prohibited as per PVSD Board Policy No. 247.
- I will abide by all of the rules and regulations required of an amateur student-athlete.
- I will control the activities of my daily routine consistent with the good health habits of proper nutrition, exercise, and rest.
- I will not indulge in the use of alcohol, tobacco products, steroids, or drugs in any form, other than those prescribed by a physician, and will abide by PVSD Board Policy Nos. 210, 222, 227 and any other policy, regulation, rule or procedure relevant to such.
- I will attend all required practices and meetings and will diligently work to improve myself while following the advice and instruction of my coach or coaches. If, at any time, I cannot attend a required practice or meeting for any reason, I will make every effort to notify my coach in advance, who will determine whether or not the absence will be excused. I understand that unexcused absences could affect playing time.
- I realize that my primary responsibility in school is to receive an education that will help prepare me for future success once I have graduated; therefore, I will strive to maintain the highest academic average that I am capable of in all of my courses in school and realize that, if I do not meet at least the minimum academic requirements, I shall immediately be ineligible to participate in any sport until my grades allow for such participation. If I am deemed academically ineligible, I may not participate in any practice, in skill work, in performances, or in competition during the period of ineligibility, but may be at practice only for the purpose of maintaining proper conditioning. My eligibility will be cumulative and will be reported on a weekly basis. If, at the conclusion of any marking period, I am not meeting the minimum academic requirements, I shall be ineligible for the first fifteen (15) school days following the distribution of report cards. At the end of that fifteen (15) day period, I may return to my sport if it is determined that I am meeting the minimum academic requirements.
- I will confer with my parent(s)/guardian(s), teachers and coaches on any problems which may interfere with my mental or physical health.
- I will immediately report all injuries to the coach or trainer.
- I know that I am held responsible for all uniforms, parts of uniforms, other team-related apparel and any equipment that has been assigned to me. I know that failure to return such items at the end of the sport season will result in my

not being allowed to participate in any other sport until the articles are returned or paid for, and the case may be referred to the District Magistrate for resolution of the issue.

- I will not remove any equipment from the practice or playing facilities without the permission of the coach.
- I will not use any equipment outside of the approved equipment provided by the coach without the coach’s approval.
- I know that, in the course of participation, I will be traveling off-campus to events and recognize that, at such times, I am responsible to at all times act within the guidelines set forth in Board Policy No. 121 and any and all other Board policies, administrative regulations, school rules, procedures and regulations.

Student-Athlete and Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

As a student-athlete and parent(s)/guardian(s), we acknowledge that:

- By its very nature, competitive athletics may put student-athletes in situations where serious, catastrophic and even fatal accidents may occur. In many cases, participation in athletics can result in violent physical contact among participants. The use of equipment may result in accident and/or injury. Strenuous physical exertion and other exposures may also result in injury to the student-athlete.
- We must assess the risk involved when participating in athletics and make their own choice whether to participate in spite of those risks inherent in any sport. No amount of instruction, precaution, or supervision will totally eliminate all risk of injury or death. There have been accidents involving death, paraplegia, quadriplegia, and other very serious permanent physical impairment as a result of participation in athletics. The obligation of student-athletes and their parent(s)/guardian(s) in making the choice to participate in athletics cannot be overstated. As a result of granting permission for a student-athlete to participate in athletics, the parent(s)/guardian(s) acknowledge(s) that such risks exist. By making a choice to participate in a sport, the student-athlete acknowledges that such risks exist.
- The proper completion of a *Sports Emergency Card*, *PIAA Comprehensive Initial Pre-Participation Physical Evaluation* packet with authorized medical examiner signature, *PVSD Accident Insurance Policy Procedure*, and *Student-Athlete Agreement* are all required and must bear signed parental permission. We also understand that the student-athlete cannot participate or practice in any PVSD athletics until all required forms are properly completed and submitted to the Head Coach.
- Athletics insurance coverage has limitations, and that the school is not liable beyond these limitations.
- Home education student-athletes or student-athletes who attend a charter school are responsible to have their weekly and marking period grades sent directly to the PVSD Athletics/Activities Office each week and are responsible for arranging such submission. Delays in submission could affect participation.
- It is our responsibility to become familiar with the *NCAA Freshman-Eligibility Standards Quick Reference Sheet* as provided in the *PVSD K-12 Student-Parent Handbook* and to attempt to obtain any other pertinent information with regard to the student-athlete’s interest in intercollegiate athletics.
- Failure to follow the rules outlined herein and/or any team rules could result in disciplinary consequences, which could include elimination from participation on a temporary or permanent basis.

Sport: _____ **Date:** _____

Signature of Student-Athlete: _____

Printed Name of Student-Athlete: _____

Signature(s) of Parent(s)/Guardian(s): _____

Printed Name(s) of Parent(s)/Guardian(s): _____