



**BISHOP BRADY HIGH  
SCHOOL  
ATHLETE/PARENT  
HANDBOOK**

**“One Man Practicing  
Sportsmanship Is Far  
Better Than 50 Preaching  
It.”**

**Knute Rockne**

Dear Athletes and Parents,

It is with great pleasure that we welcome you to Bishop Brady High School Athletics! I am confident that you will find your athletic experience here at Brady to be a fulfilling one. We are fortunate to have an athletic department consisting of proud student athletes, knowledgeable coaches, athletic trainer and administrators. At Brady, we believe that athletics play an integral part in the development of character in our youth and our coaching staff puts that belief at the top of their priority list. Sports are a great avenue for youth to learn valuable life lessons. Sometimes these lessons are tough, but in the long run, worth experiencing.

This handbook has been created to assist you as you go through your time as a student-athlete/parent here at Bishop Brady and to ensure consistency throughout all of our athletic teams. In it, you will find policies, procedures, expectations and other materials that you will be able to refer to as the season goes along. Our student-athletes deserve the best possible programs we can provide. Athletics play an integral part of the total educational experience here; however participation in this program is a privilege, not a right. By signing the agreement at the end of this document, you acknowledge the responsibility to make yourself familiar with the contents of this handbook and to follow the policies and procedures as outlined. You are expected to give your time, energy and loyalty to the program and to abide by all training rules, regulations and responsibilities.

Thank you for agreeing to become a part of the Bishop Brady High School Athletic Program and GO GIANTS!!

Sincerely,

Andrea Issak Elliot

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Director of Athletics

**“Teamwork is the ability to work together toward a common vision. The ability to direct individual accomplishments toward organizational objectives. It is the fuel that allows common people to attain uncommon results.”**

**- Andrew Carnegie**

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## **BISHOP BRADY MISSION, ATHLETIC PHILOSOPHY AND GOALS**

Athletics is an integral part of education and complements our greater mission at Bishop Brady. Lessons of commitment, teamwork, tenacity and overcoming adversity are advanced on our courts and fields. It is in the heat of competition that our student-athletes experience great life lessons. These lessons go beyond the x's and o's and into the heart of each competitor as they develop into people of strong character. ***It is important to remember that participation in athletics at Bishop Brady is a privilege, not a right.***

## **Philosophy**

The Brady Athletic Department acknowledges the following order of priorities in our school:

- God and family
- academics
- athletics

When this order is followed, it gives student-athletes the opportunity to be balanced spiritually, learnedly, physically, emotionally and mentally.

## **Goals**

Based on our philosophy, our athletic department and team goals are:

- **Excellence** - programs focused on excellence and are well managed and well executed
- **Success** - reaching maximum potential both individually and as a team
- **Learning** - we will emphasize the individual goal of Academic All-State to all of our students; being a great student and a great athlete is a difficult task, an admirable goal and a worthy accomplishment
- **Sportsmanship** - it is our desire that our athletic community - coaches, players and parents - participate in such a way that honors God and conveys a positive witness to those around us, and we will be modest in victory and gracious in defeat; winning on the scoreboard should be one of our goals, but losing can many times present great opportunities for growth.

# **STUDENT-ATHLETE CHECKLIST**

1. Make sure that you have obtained and checked all the necessary equipment needed for the sport you are participating in prior to the start of the season. It is also important to monitor the condition of your equipment throughout the year and replace anything that is worn or unsafe for use.	
2. Fill out all appropriate athletic forms required by Bishop Brady (ie. Athletic Contract and medical release forms).	
3. Be sure that you have an up to date physical evaluation from your doctor.	
4. Watch for any pre-season communication from your Coach or the Athletic Director, as it will contain important information regarding the season.	
5. Communicate dates of any foreseen absences to the Coach. Please refer to the attendance policy in this document for clarity of what is an excused and unexcused absences.	
6. Keep open lines of communication open between yourself and the coach. If you don't know, ask! Your coach should be setting up periodic individual meetings throughout the year to give you feedback on performance, your role on the team and things you can do to improve. Coaches aren't mind readers, so these are the appropriate times bring things up that may be on your mind.	
7. Wear the Bishop Brady uniform with pride! It is a privilege to wear it and treat the opportunity to do so as such. This includes making sure it is washed after every use and that it is returned the condition you were issued it. If for some reason beyond your control, it becomes damaged, please let you Coach or the Athletic Director know.	
8. Keep your priorities straight. When leaving on away trips, be sure to get any missed assignments from your teachers. While we all love sports, academics are the priority. To be eligible to play sports at Brady, you must be passing all your classes. Don't let things slip!	
9. Be respectful and sportsmanlike at all times to opposing players, coaches, officials and spectators. Remember you are an ambassador for Bishop Brady, so represent us the right way! You are expected to support the NHIAA's "Life of an Athlete" program and to take an active role in its development into our school culture.	
10. Have fun and play hard! Playing for your high school team is a memory that will last a lifetime. Soak it in and enjoy the experience!	

# **NHIAA MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of the New Hampshire Interscholastic Athletic Association, as the leader of high school athletic, is to ensure fair play in competition and equal opportunity in interscholastic programs.

“Winning is for a day, sportsmanship is for a lifetime”

**NHIAA CODE OF ETHICS**

## **Definition of Sportsmanship**

The ideals of good sportsmanship, ethical behavior and integrity permeate our culture. The values of good citizenship and high behavioral standards apply equally to all activity disciplines. In perception and practice, good sportsmanship shall be defined as those qualities of behavior, which are characterized, by generosity and genuine concern for others. An awareness is expected of the impact of an individual's influence on the behavior of others. Good sportsmanship is viewed as a concrete measure of the understanding and commitment to fair play, ethical behavior and integrity.

In order to promote desirable behavior and enhance the overall quality of secondary school athletic programs for which the NHIAA has assumed responsibility, the following Code of Ethics is in effect:

### **It is the duty of all concerned with secondary school athletic programs to...**

1. Cultivate awareness that participation in high school athletics is part of the total educational experience.
2. Emphasize the proper ideals of sportsmanship, ethical conduct and fair play as they relate to the lifetime impact on the participants and spectators.
3. Develop an awareness and understanding of all rules and guidelines governing competition, both in letter and intent, and to comply with them in all activities.
4. Recognize that the purpose of athletics in school programs is to develop and promote the physical, mental, moral, social and emotional well-being of individual participants.
5. Avoid any practice or technique which would endanger the present or future welfare or safety of a participant.
6. Avoid practices which force students to specialize, or which restrict them from participation in a variety of athletics.
7. Refrain from making disparaging remarks to opponents, officials, coaches, or spectators in any aspect of school athletics.
8. Encourage the development of proper health habits and vigorously discourage the use of chemicals, including alcohol and tobacco.
9. Exemplify proper self-control at all times and accept adverse decisions without public display of emotion or dissatisfaction.
10. Encourage everyone to judge the true success of the athletic program on the basis of the attitude of the participants and spectators rather than on the basis of a win or loss.
11. Treat opposing team members and officials respectfully and encourage behavior, which will create positive relationships between schools.

# **NHIAA STUDENT ATHLETE CODE OF ETHICS**

## **TRUSTWORTHINESS**

***Trustworthiness*** - Be worthy of trust in all you do.



**Integrity** - Live up to high ideals of ethics and sportsmanship and always pursue victory with honor; do what is right even when it's unpopular or personally costly.

**Honesty** - Live and compete honorably, do not lie, cheat, steal or engage in any other dishonest or unsportsmanlike conduct.

**Reliability** - Fulfill commitments; do what you say you will do; be on time to practices and games.

**Loyalty** - Be loyal to your school and team; put the team above personal glory.

## **RESPECT**

**Respect** - Treat all people with respect all the time.

**Class** - Live and play with class; be a good sport; be gracious in victory and accept defeat with dignity; help up fallen opponents, compliment extraordinary performance, show sincere respect in pre- and post game rituals.

**Respectful Conduct** - Do not engage in disrespectful conduct of any sort including profanity, obscene gestures, offensive remarks of the sexual nature, trash talking, taunting, boastful celebrations, or other actions that demean individuals or the sport.

**Respect Officials** - Treat contest officials with respect; do not complain about or argue with officials' calls or decisions during or after an athletic event.

## **RESPONSIBILITY**

**Importance of Education** - Be a student first and commit to earning your degree and get the best education you can. Be honest with yourself about the likelihood of getting an athletic scholarship or playing on a professional level and remember that many universities will not recruit student athletes that do not have a serious commitment to their education, the ability to succeed academically or the character to represent their institution honorably.

**Role Modeling** - Remember, participation in sports is a privilege not a right and that you are expected to represent your school, coach and teammates with honor, on and off the field. Consistently exhibit good character and conduct yourself as a positive role model.

**Self-control** - Exercise self-control; do not fight or show excessive displays of anger or frustration; have the strength to overcome the temptation to retaliate.

**Healthy Lifestyle** - Safeguard your health; do not use any illegal or unhealthy substances including alcohol, tobacco and drugs or engage in any unhealthy techniques to gain, lose or maintain weight.

**Integrity of the Game** - Protect the integrity of the game; do not gamble, associate with or deal with professional gamblers.

**Sexual Conduct** - Sexual or romantic contact of any sort between students and coaches is improper and strictly forbidden. Report misconduct to proper authorities.

## **FAIRNESS**

**Be Fair** - Live up to high standards of fair play; be open-minded; always be willing to listen and learn.

## **CARING**

**Concern for Others** - Demonstrate concern for others; never intentionally injure any player or engage in reckless behavior that might cause injury to yourself or others.

**Teammates** - Help promote the well being of teammates by positive counseling and encouragement or by reporting any unhealthy or dangerous conduct to coaches.

## **CITIZENSHIP**

***Play by the Rules*** - Maintain a thorough knowledge of and abide by all applicable game and competition rules.

***Spirit of Rules*** - Honor the spirit and the letter of rules; avoid temptations to gain competitive advantage through improper gamesmanship techniques that violate the highest traditions of sportsmanship.

# **NHSCA PARENT CODE OF ETHICS**

1. Be a positive role model through your own actions to make sure your child has the best athletic experience possible.
2. Be a "team" fan, not a "my kid" fan.
3. Weigh what your children say; they will tend to slant the truth to their advantage.
4. Show respect for the opposing players, coaches, spectators and support groups.
5. Be respectful of all official's decisions.
6. Don't instruct your children before or after a game, because it may conflict with the coach's plans and strategies.
7. Praise student-athlete in their attempt to improve themselves as students, as athletes and as people.
8. Gain an understanding and appreciation for the rules of the contest.
9. Recognize and show appreciation for an outstanding play by either team.
10. Help your child learn that success is oriented in the development of a skill and should make a person feel good about themselves, win or lose.
11. If you as a parent have a concern, take time to talk with coaches in an appropriate manner including proper time and place. Be sure to follow the designated chain of command.
12. Please reinforce our drug and alcohol free policies by refraining from the use of any controlled substances before and during athletic contests.
13. Remember that a ticket to a school athletic event is a privilege to observe the contest.

# **BISHOP BRADY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT/PARENT AGREEMENT FOR ATHLETIC/CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

The Student Participant/Parent Agreement establishes an understanding for all co-curricular activities between Bishop Brady HS, the coaches and advisors of the co-curricular activities, the Student Participant, and the Student Participant's parents/guardians. Each Student Participant and their Parents or Guardian accept the terms in this agreement by signing it. This Agreement is in force when the Student Participant attends any practice, contest or activity during the school year.

The terms and rules stated within the Student/Parent Agreement are intended to create the best environment possible for all those involved in an activity through clear communication, to offer the Student Participant excellent opportunities to learn about and learn from the activity involved, to ensure the Student Participant's greatest performance potential is attained, and to provide guidance for all Student Participants as to what consequences will apply to their decisions regarding involvement in the activity.

***By signing the Student/Parent Agreement*** students and their parents/guardians acknowledge:

1. They read the contents of this Agreement and accept all terms and rules as stated;
2. They agree to cooperate with coaches and advisors of the activity involved, regarding any changes or modifications required during the activity for participation;
3. They accept that the terms and rules of this Agreement apply the first day of the student's enrollment at Bishop Brady and remain in force until graduation;
4. They agree that the Student Participant exerts the highest level of effort and commitment to participate in the activity involved in a manner consistent with this Agreement.

### **ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY:**

Bishop Brady requires a student to be passing all of their subjects in order to be eligible to participate in co-curricular activities. Failure to do so will mean that the student-athlete will not be able to participate the remainder of that season and cannot begin a new sport season until the next marking period. At progress reports, athletes in academic jeopardy may be suspended from athletics at the discretion of the Administration. Please also refer to the NHIAA website for their academic eligibility standards.

### **TEAM RULES :**

A Student participant's willful violation of any of the following rules at anytime and anywhere, while involved in an activity, results in a **ONE-GAME SUSPENSION** for the first occurrence, and disciplinary action that can include immediate **DISMISSAL** from the team for the remainder of the activity season for a second or subsequent occurrence:

1. Possession or Use of ANY TYPE of TOBACCO PRODUCTS, ALCOHOL OR DRUGS
2. BREACH of GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP in relation to Officials, Coaches, Teammates, Opponents, and Spectators (includes ejection from contests for personal misconduct; and, conduct at training and practices, traveling to or from events, or attending other Brady or non-Brady events and identifiable as a Brady student)
3. ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT (includes cheating, skipping school, cutting class, and suspended or removed from class for behavior)
4. DISRESPECTFUL BEHAVIOR (includes dishonesty, harassment, hazing, taunting, fighting, etc.)
5. Violation of other school rules/polices as warranted

***Alleged violations of any rules stated in this Agreement will be investigated. The investigation may be conducted by the Coach of the activity involved, and/or Bishop Brady Administration. Student Participants must fully cooperate with the investigation, without claim of privacy or right to decline to cooperate, and they must acknowledge that third parties can be included in the investigation and evidence obtained from said third parties. Upon completion of the***

***investigation final determination will be based on the report and due process rights as set forth in the Student Handbook.***

<p><b>School Policy on</b></p> <p><b>ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOR AND BULLYING</b></p>
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As Catholics, we believe that everyone is created by God and loved by God. As followers of Jesus, we are called to value other people's dignity and to treat them with respect just as Jesus did. Bullying of any kind goes against our call to be like Jesus and it is never acceptable.

Bishop Brady High School is committed to providing all students with a safe school environment in which all members of its community are treated with respect. The school believes that protecting against and addressing bullying is critical for creating and maintaining a safe, secure and positive school climate and culture; supporting academic achievement; increasing school engagement; respecting the rights of others; and upholding our Christian values.

The Principal or Principal's Designee is responsible for ensuring that the Anti-Bullying Policy is implemented.

### **Definitions**

Bullying means a single, significant incident or a pattern of incidents involving a written, verbal, or electronic communication, or a physical act or gesture, or any combination thereof, directed at another pupil which:

- Physically harms a student or damages the student's property; or
- Causes emotional distress to a student; or
- Interferes with a student's educational opportunities; or
- Creates a hostile educational environment; or
- Substantially disrupts the orderly operation of the school.

Cyberbullying means bullying conduct (as defined above) that is undertaken through the use of electronic devices. Electronic devices include, but are not limited to, telephones, cellular phones, computers, pagers, electronic mail, instant messaging, text messaging, electronic readers, videogames, and websites.

## **Statements of Prohibition**

Bullying and cyberbullying shall not be tolerated and are hereby prohibited. Bishop Brady High School reserves the right to address all forms of prohibited conduct and, if necessary, impose discipline for such misconduct that occurs on or is delivered to school property or a school-sponsored event on or off school property; or occurs off of school property or outside of a school-sponsored activity or event, if the conduct interferes with a pupil's educational opportunities or substantially disrupts the orderly operations of the school or school-sponsored activity or event.

False Reporting - A student found to have knowingly made a false accusation of bullying may face disciplinary or remedial action within the discretion of the principal or principal's designee.

Retaliation - Retaliation or false accusations against a victim, witness, or anyone else who in good faith provides information about an act of suspected bullying or cyberbullying is prohibited. Any student found to have engaged in retaliation against those described above shall be subject to disciplinary action.

If an alleged victim or any witness expresses to the principal or other staff member that he/she is fearful of retaliation, the principal or principal's designee shall develop a plan to protect that student from possible retaliation.

## **Reporting Incidents of Bullying**

Note: The identity of the reporter will be protected unless otherwise required by State or Federal law.



## ***Reporting During School Hours***

### **1. Reporting by Students**

Any student who believes that he/she has been the victim of bullying should report the act immediately to a teacher or to any other school employee. Any student who has knowledge of or observes bullying of another student is encouraged to report the bullying to a teacher or to any other school employee. If a student is unsure whether an incident learned of or observed may constitute bullying, the incident should be discussed with a teacher or another school employee.

### **2. Reporting by Parents/Guardians and School Volunteers**

Any parent, guardian, or school volunteer who suspects, has witnessed, received a report of, or has information that a student may have been subjected to bullying is encouraged to promptly report such incident to a teacher, a school employee, or the principal.

### **3. Reporting by School Employees**

Any teacher, staff member, or school employee who suspects, has witnessed, received a report of, or has reliable information that a student has been subjected to bullying or suspected bullying as defined above shall promptly report such incident to the principal or principal's designee.

## ***Reporting Outside of School Hours***

The diocese will make available a phone number to be used by those who wish to report suspected incidents of bullying outside of school hours. Reports made by this method will be recorded and forwarded to the appropriate school the following business day. Reporters will be encouraged to provide their names, but anonymous reports will be accepted.

## Response to Reports

<b><i>Investigation</i></b>	The principal or principal's designee shall promptly (within 2 business days) initiate an investigation into any report of bullying or suspected bullying.
<b><i>Initial Notice to Parent/ Guardian</i></b>	The principal or principal's designee shall promptly (within 2 business days) notify the parents/guardians of the reported victim of bullying and the parents/ guardians of the reported perpetrator of bullying of the incident. Such notification may be made orally or in writing. A waiver of this notification may be granted by the Superintendent of Schools if such waiver is deemed to be in the best interest of the victim or perpetrator.
<b><i>Timeline for Investigation</i></b>	The investigation will be concluded within five (5) business days. An extension may be granted by the Superintendent of Schools if necessary.
<b><i>Notification to Parent/ Guardian Upon Completion of Investigation</i></b>	Upon the conclusion of the investigation, the principal or principal's designee shall promptly report the findings of the investigation to the parents/ guardians of the reported victim of bullying and the parents/ guardians of the reported perpetrator of bullying. Such notification may be made orally or in writing. The notification must comply with school policy and rules of confidentiality.
<b><i>Written Record</i></b>	A written record of any substantiated act of bullying shall be maintained by the school.

## **Disciplinary Action for Substantiated Bullying**

If an investigation concludes that a student has engaged in bullying conduct prohibited by this policy, the principal or principal's designee shall determine the consequences on a case-by-case basis. Bullying behavior can take many forms. Accordingly, there is no single, appropriate response to substantiated acts of bullying.

When acts of bullying are identified early and/or when such acts do not reasonably require a severe disciplinary response in the judgment of the principal or designee, students should be counseled as to the definition of bullying, its prohibition, and their duty to avoid any conduct that could be considered bullying.

While bullying as defined above will generally warrant disciplinary action against the student responsible for the bullying, whether and to what extent disciplinary action is required is a matter for the discretion of the principal or designee. The goal is for the child responsible for the bullying to receive redemption, learn, and refrain from bullying others in the future. Any disciplinary or remedial action shall be designed to correct the problem behavior, prevent future occurrences of such behavior, protect the victim, provide support and assistance to the victim and perpetrator, and prevent the likelihood of retaliation.

Nothing in this policy prevents the school from taking disciplinary action against a student for conduct that does not meet the definition of bullying or cyberbullying but nevertheless is inappropriate for the school.

## **Notification**

### ***Handbooks***

Bishop Brady High School will provide notice of this Policy to students, staff, parents/guardians, and volunteers via student and employee handbooks.

### ***Training***

Students shall participate in education programs which set forth expectations for student behavior and emphasize an understanding of bullying, the school's prohibition of such conduct, and the reasons why the conduct is destructive, unacceptable, and shall lead to discipline.

Parents - Periodically, the principal or principal's designee shall provide parents/ guardians with information about bullying.

Staff and Volunteers - The principal or principal's designee shall develop appropriate methods of discussing with staff and volunteers the meaning, substance, and application of this Policy and the importance of promoting a positive school climate to minimize the occurrence of bullying.

<p><b>School Policy On</b></p> <p><b>DRUGS, TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL</b></p>
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Bishop Brady is committed to being a drug, tobacco and alcohol free school. The school will not condone or tolerate the buying, selling, possession, use, promotion, or being in the presence of drugs, tobacco or alcohol at anytime, anywhere, and under any conditions. Bishop Brady has an obligation, as a Catholic faith community, to encourage our students to maintain a drug-free lifestyle, to support those students that choose not to use drugs or alcohol, and to assist those students who have started using drugs or alcohol to make positive changes.

**Students found to be in possession** of drugs, tobacco or alcohol at school are subject to immediate suspension and/or expulsion. Possession includes buying, selling, exchanging, consuming, or possessing. At school includes on school property, as part of a school group, traveling to and from school, attending a school sponsored activity. The length of suspension will be determined according to the severity of the violation. A parent conference is required prior to the student returning from the suspension. Students can be brought before the DC where additional disciplinary action will be determined. Students may also be remanded to local authorities for prosecution under the law when there is a violation of the New Hampshire Safe Schools Act.

**Students thought to be under the influence** of drugs or alcohol during the school day, on school-provided transportation or during school-sponsored activities/athletics will be reported and/or brought to the administration. If possible, students will be evaluated by school administrators; this can involve drug and/or alcohol testing. The parents or guardian may be requested to obtain a professional diagnosis at their cost, and forward the results to Bishop Brady within 24 hours. A student found under the influence during school hours, or at on- or off-campus school-sponsored events will be subject to disciplinary action.

**Students found to be hosting parties where drugs or alcohol are present** will be suspended and, upon further disciplinary review, may be terminated as a Brady student. Parents or guardians who are found responsible for hosting parties where drugs or alcohol are present will be reported to local law enforcement officials. A parent's or

guardian's violation of the law may result in the termination of their student from Brady per school policy.

**Any student who voluntarily seeks assistance** from a Bishop Brady staff member to address a substance abuse problem will be directed to the Bishop Brady Campus Minister for guidance. The student may also be referred for outside professional assistance. A student seeking help will not face punitive action by the school provided the student does not violate school drug and alcohol policies.

## **Searches**

The school reserves the right to initiate and carry out searches on any part of Bishop Brady property to maintain and enforce a drug and alcohol free school environment. If school Administration believes evidence of drugs or alcohol may be discovered that violates school policy or state law, a search of a person, place or thing will be conducted. The following circumstances apply to searches:

- Reasonable suspicion exists that a student has been using or is under the influence of drugs and alcohol, or is in possession of drugs (including tobacco/alcohol)
- Submission of a written request by the parent or guardian of a student

## **Searching the Student's Person**

The school may conduct a search of a student's person and belongings based on "reasonable suspicion" the student was, is, or may be involved in conduct violating school drug and alcohol policies. Reasonable suspicion can be based on personal observations, information provided by members of the Bishop Brady community, and/or by reliable outside sources. Use of police dogs is an option of the school. Specifics of the Personal search involve:

- The search of a student's person will be conducted by a person of the same gender as the student, and at least one additional person but not more than three shall witness the search.
- Searches shall be conducted as privately as possible and shall be limited to a student's clothing, as well as, any objects or carry-all (purses, bags, backpacks, briefcase, carrying case, etc.).
- The parents or guardian of any student searched by the school will be notified of the search and the outcome of the search by telephone and/or letter.
- Any student refusing to be searched per the request of the school will be suspended pending resolution of the student's refusal; additional disciplinary action can be taken which may include expulsion from the school.

***Searching a Student's Locker*** – the school reserves the right to search the lockers at any time since lockers are the property of the school. Lockers are provided to students for academic use and to use for athletics or physical education.

***Searching a Student's Motor Vehicle*** – any vehicle driven to the school or any non-motorized transportation parked on school grounds is subject to search given “reasonable suspicion” of a violation of the drug/alcohol policy

***Discovered Items*** – any drugs, drug related items, alcohol, or other illegal items or substances that are discovered during a search shall be seized by school officials. The school may provide seized material to local law enforcement if there is a violation of the New Hampshire Safe Schools Act.

***Drug and Alcohol Testing*** – The school reserves the right to administer drug tests and breath tests to students, and to test substances or liquids belonging to students for the presence of drugs or alcohol. Students may be asked to submit to a drug or alcohol test randomly under the following circumstances:

- Reasonable suspicion that the student has been using or is under the influence of drugs or alcohol
- Parents or guardian make a request

School officials will conduct unannounced drug or alcohol tests as a means to maintain the integrity of the school community. All student drug or alcohol test results will be kept confidential among the student, parents or guardian, and school officials, and the disclosure of test results will be limited to what is required by law. A student refusing to submit to a drug or breath test will be subject to disciplinary action as necessary, which can include suspension and/or expulsion from school. Although the school is committed to helping students who may have a drug or alcohol problem, the primary objective of the Bishop Brady drug and alcohol policy is the safety of students and staff, and any student that fails a drug or alcohol test is subject to disciplinary consequences.

**Consequences for Evidence of Substance Abuse (use of drugs, alcohol and tobacco) or Positive Drug Test:**

- Bishop Brady will not initiate criminal charges or other legal action against any student based solely on a positive test.
- A parent or guardian will be contacted if their student tests positive or evidence of use is substantiated. Parents or guardian will be notified of test results by letter regardless of the outcome.
- A student that tests positive may be required to enroll in a school-approved drug education. All expenses incurred for the education program will be the responsibility of the parents or guardian. Upon completion of an education program, the parents or guardian must provide proof to the school.

### **First Offense:**

- A student that has a First Time Positive test or evidence of substance use will not be permanently removed from any school-based co/extra-curricular club or team (unless directed by the parents or guardian). However, a student will not be able to continue serving in an elected or appointed position and will be suspended for 20% regular season and playoff contests. All suspensions carry over to the next sport, if the suspension has not been fulfilled.
- Any student that tests positive for drugs will be re-tested about 30-days after the positive test date.
- A student that tests positive during the re-test will receive additional consequences.
- After the re-test is completed, a student is subject to further testing at the discretion of the school.
- Failing to comply with the stated provisions can result in a hearing before the DC and/or expulsion from the school.

### **Second Offense**

- Bishop Brady will not initiate criminal charges or other legal action against the student based solely on the failed drug test.
- The student will be required to enroll in a drug education program approved by the school and the school requires proof of the student's participation. Parents or guardian are responsible for all costs of the program.
- The student will be suspended from any school-based extra/co-curricular club, activity, or team. Student/Athletes will be suspended for 50% of the regular season and playoff contests. . All suspensions carry over to the next sport, if the suspension has not been fulfilled.
- The student that tests positive again will be re-tested about 30-days after the second test date. Further tests will be given to the student at the discretion of the school.
- Failing to comply with the stated provisions can result in a hearing before the DC and/or expulsion from the school.

### **Third Offense**

- If a student fails a third drug test, the student will be terminated from Bishop Brady.



### **Student/Athletes in the presence of others using, possessing or distributing drugs and alcohol**

- Student Athletes who are found to be voluntarily associating with others who are illegally using, possessing or distributing drugs, drug paraphernalia or alcohol must attempt to remove themselves from the situation within 5 minutes or they will be found in violation of the Athletic Code. This applies to any situations that take place ON or OFF campus and at ANY TIME during the student's high school enrollment including the off season as well as the summertime.

### **Parties/Cyber Images**

- Any image, photo or video that implicates a student to have been in possession or in the presence of drugs or alcohol or portrays actual use, shall be confirmation of a violation of the code. Since there is not a way to establish a timeframe for when or location of where the image is taken, this shall be the responsibility that the student must assume. Also, it is possible, that others may take pictures to purposely implicate a student by taking such images. This is our rationale for demanding that students not place themselves in such environments.

***Legal Authority Cited: References to the NH State Statute prohibiting underage alcohol use (RSA 179:10 and RSA 179:10-a), underage tobacco use (RSA 126-K:6), and use of controlled drugs (RSA 318-B:2). The United States Supreme Court acknowledges the legal standard for sport and athlete specific athletic codes of conduct.***

### **PRE-SEASON MEETINGS:**

Here at Bishop Brady, we believe that it is extremely important to open the lines of communication between coaches, players and parents. Pre-season meetings are crucial to this endeavor. Each fall, winter and spring, Bishop Brady will hold a "Meet the Coaches" evening. This will be an opportunity to hear from different speakers on a variety of athletic topics and then to hear directly from your coach in regards to their philosophy, team rules, athlete and parent expectations and any other information the coach needs to convey. **Since we are requiring you sign an agreement at the end of this document, it is mandatory that the athlete and at least one parent attend this meeting.**

### **TRYOUTS:**

Student-athletes should understand that participation in athletics is a privilege. Tryouts are voluntarily and for some of our teams cuts are made in order to maintain a high level of safety, coaching effectiveness, playing time and competitiveness in the particular level of play. To be a member of a team, student-athletes are expressing their interest to represent Bishop Brady High School and, therefore, must live up to certain conditions and expectations. Some of our sports are considered non-cut. That is to say that cuts are not made and the student-athlete's willingness and attendance at practices and games are the main requirements to being a member of a team. Other sports, however, require cuts or selections to be made. While this is a difficult process for all parties involved, (student-athlete, coach and parent) some things to remember are listed below:

- 1.** The tryout period for each team shall be of sufficient duration to allow the coaching staff to make a reasonable assessment of each candidate's ability and potential. Student-athletes will have a minimum of three practices to showcase their abilities.
- 2. Coaches will not use "cut lists",** and each coach will meet with all members of the team individually to explain their reasoning and if possible, will recommend a plan which would be designed strengthen those areas in which the student-athlete needs improvement. 1 on 1 meetings should take place between all coaches and athletes throughout the season as roles and place on the team can change.
- 3.** Athlete's may not voluntarily leave one sport and tryout for another after the season has begun without consent of the Athletic Director and both coaches involved.

### **ATTENDANCE RULES:**

Student Participants in an activity are expected to attend all practices organized by coaches/advisors, and to participate in all contests scheduled during the activity period. Absences from practices or contests can be excused for family emergencies or illness, and academic or related school functions approved by the Administration before the scheduled absence. Coaches/Advisors need notification prior to or immediately following any Student Participant's absence.

A student Participant is **not eligible to attend** a practice or participate in a contest on any day or evening when:

1. They are ABSENT from school for an ILLNESS, no matter the length of time. Students that are ill, may be eligible to play the next day.
2. They are SUSPENDED from school or subject to an in-school suspension
3. They MISS ANY PART of the school day due to tardiness or other unauthorized reason and extracurricular activities or events unrelated to the school (ex.: camps, tryouts, contests, etc.) If the student misses on a Friday, then the rule carries over to the next playable day.

**School Vacations and Family Trips are not acceptable for absences from practices or contests. Student Participants must carefully consider their commitment to participate in an activity in place of other personal obligations.** Violation of the Attendance rules will result in a **ONE-GAME SUSPENSION** for each occurrence. A meeting among the Administration, Coach/Advisor and Student Participant's parents/guardians will be necessary if more than one violation occurs for the activity involved.

**ANY EXCEPTIONS to the Attendance rules must be approved, in advance, by Administration.**

#### **EQUIPMENT RESPONSIBILITY:**

The Student Participant accepts full and total responsibility for any uniforms and equipment entrusted to the Student Participant. The Student Participant is also responsible for the maintenance of all equipment utilized for the activity involved. Upon completion of the activity involved, Student Participants have three days to return uniforms and equipment for which they were entrusted to the Coach. If any uniforms and equipment are lost, not returned, or damaged, the responsible Student Participant is required to make restitution. Restitution is defined as the replacement costs for the missing or damaged uniforms and equipment. Willful violation of the Responsibility rule results in disciplinary action that can include SUSPENSIONS from Contests involved for the next activity period.

#### **TRANSPORTATION RULES:**

Student Participants must ride on the school based transportation that is provided to and from contests. Any exceptions to this rule must be approved, in advance, by the Administration and Coaches/Advisors of the activity involved. The Student Participant's parent/guardian must submit a written and signed request, setting forth the reason or need for alternate transportation (includes Student Participants returning directly home from a contest with their parent/guardian). Participants cannot ride with other students to and from contests where school transportation is provided, or is not authorized per transport agreement. Willful violation of the transportation rules will involve disciplinary action that can include SUSPENSIONS from contests.

#### **PHYSICALS:**

All Student Participants, upon entering Bishop Brady HS, must submit a completed physical examination form as part of their high school records. All Student Participants must provide to

the Coaches/Advisors of the activity involved a completed and signed Emergency Medical Release form. Failure to provide these documents results in a Student Participant being ineligible to attend practices or contests. If any Student Participant is injured or placed under doctor's care for an illness, a note from the attending physician, permitting the Student Participant to return to the activity, must be submitted to the Administration and Coach/Advisor before participation in the activity can resume. Athletes are subject to random drug screenings and must submit to a drug test if requested by the Administration or Coach/Advisor under the aforementioned Drugs/Alcohol policy.

## **Procedural Guidelines for Athletic Issues and/or Concerns of Parents**

If any parent/guardian has an issue or problem with a decision made by a coach he/she should take the following steps in order to resolve the issue.

- **First**, he/she should encourage the student athlete to solve the problem themselves by communicating with the coach. One of the great life lessons we can learn as young athletes is to begin to communicate and advocate for ourselves.
- **Second**, if not yet resolved, the parent should make an appointment to meet with the coach. This is not to precede step 1 and should not be done immediately following a game or practice. A minimum of 24 hours should take place before contact is made.
- **Third**, if yet unresolved, the parent should make an appointment to meet with the Athletic Director. This may or may not include the coach and student athlete.
- **Finally**, if still not resolved, the parent should make an appointment to meet with the Principal.

The list below of legitimate and non-legitimate issues/concerns to discuss with the coach, but it is not an all-inclusive list.

### **Legitimate Issues/Concerns:**

1. Failure to provide due process in disciplinary action.
2. Failure to provide a fair opportunity to compete to make the team (not given 3 practice days to showcase ability).
3. Mistreatment of athletes (safety, negligence, abusive conduct, inappropriate language, etc).
4. Any violation of an adopted code (ethics\conduct\expectations)

(GUIDLINES CONT.)

**Non-legitimate Issues/Concerns:**

1. Athlete not given enough playing time
2. Athlete not playing the right position.
3. Strategies used by the coach.
4. Win/loss record of the team or coach.

It is intended that problems be resolved before coming to a formal grievance process. When a problem or concern develops between a student/parent and coach and a meeting or discussion has been held but resolution was not achieved, the following procedure and time line should be followed:

At the request of the student/parent, a meeting shall be held involving the student/parent, coach and Athletic Director. This meeting shall take place within five working days of the statement that a problem exists which requires intervention. It is hoped that an acceptable solution will be agreed upon. Whether or not agreement is reached, an outcome of the meeting should be the clarification of:

1. The nature of the problem.
2. Reason(s) for the problem.
3. Prior communication that has taken place, from either or both parties.
4. Efforts that have been made to correct the situation.
5. Acceptable solutions for or expectation of each party.

If the problem is resolved to everyone's satisfaction, a written statement of the conference should be generated by the Athletic Director and kept on file. If the problem is not resolved, and the student/parent decides to pursue the grievance process, a written summary of the student/parent concern (authored by the student and/or parent) and a summary of the conference (authored by the Athletic Director) are to be submitted to the Principal for further consideration.

The Principal will review the written documentation submitted by the Athletic Director and the student/parent, and may require oral testimony from all parties involved. Following the careful consideration of the facts presented at the meeting, the Principal shall, within three days, issue a final resolution of the grievance. ***At Bishop Brady, we welcome calls and/or conferences with parents and community members at large who have concerns about the policies or practices of our athletic program. It is imperative that we know when and what concerns students and parents have.***

# ATHLETIC TRAINING

In the summer of 2014, Bishop Brady partnered with the NH Safe Sports Network/ New Hampshire Musculoskeletal Institute to provide athletic training and sports safety enhancements for student athletes. NHMI is a non-profit organization dedicated to sports health and safety. Prevention and treatment of injuries is extremely important. Student Athletes should never hesitate to see the training when something doesn't feel right. The sooner injuries are addressed, the sooner an athlete can get back to the playing field.

## ImPACT Testing

Bishop Brady has initiated baseline concussion testing for all student athletes. In this first year, all contact sport athletes will be tested. In subsequent years, all freshmen and juniors will take the computerized ImPACT test. As of September 10, 139 students have completed baseline concussion testing. For more information please visit [www.impacttest.com](http://www.impacttest.com). Also, visit the Bishop Brady Athletic Training web page to see how ImPACT testing is being implemented.

## Head Injury Warnings

Often, the signs and symptoms of head injuries do not appear immediately after a trauma, but hours after the injury itself. For this reason, it is important to be vigilant for signs and symptoms of significant head injuries. To learn more about the signs and symptoms to be watching for after an athlete sustains a head injury, visit the Bishop Brady Athletic Training page on our website.

## Injury Treatment Protocol and Return to Play

Depending on timing of the injury and treatment, it is important to treat an injury with the appropriate method. Should your student/athlete be injured in a game or practice, our Athletic Trainer will assess the injury and either treat or refer them. The Physicians at Concord Orthopedics, particularly Dr. Moran and Dr. Casey, have volunteered their time to be our Team Physicians. With direct access to Concord Orthopedics physicians, your student/athlete can obtain the appropriate care quickly. Although we have a team of physicians in place, we recognize and support your right to see any doctor you wish. If the injury requires your child to be seen by a doctor, please contact the ATC to help with treatment and a safe return to sports. ***Please be aware that a Physicians note with diagnosis, timeline for return and any restrictions is required. The Bishop Brady ATC will make the final determination of when the student can return to play. NO EXCEPTIONS.*** Should the ATC feel the need for a second opinion of an injury, we reserve the right to require that before returning to play.

**Concussion**      The recognition and treatment of students/athletes who have

**Policy (academic)** concussion is a priority. Concussions, if not properly treated, can result in permanent physical and cognitive deficits.

Recovery from a concussion may require limitation of physical and/or mental activities. As such, Bishop Brady High School will require the following if a student is suspected/diagnosed with a concussion:

- If a concussion is suspected, the student must see the school athletic trainer or physician or another recognized concussion specialist within 3 days. If the concussion is resolving, the athletic trainer may continue to treat the student until complete resolution. If the athlete is not showing improvement within 7-10 days of the injury, it is strongly recommended they see their physician or a physician with expertise managing concussions.
- If required to see a physician or concussion specialist, after-care instructions, or a post-concussion report form for returning to school/athletics, must be completed by the physician or recognized concussion specialist within two (2) school days of the visit, and a copy provided to the school.
- The report shall at least include the following: date of concussion, dates of excused absences, a return-to-school day, recommended academic accommodations and modifications, and recommended accommodations or limitations on participation in wellness classes and athletics.
- A student must have a medical clearance from the treating medical professional to continue with normal academic and athletic activities.
- Bishop Brady will make all attempts to comply with reasonable requests by medical professionals for academic and athletic accommodations or modifications, however we make no representations or warranties of any kind regarding the ability of the school to fulfill such requests.

**8. INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

If you are a foreign student enrolled at a high school in New Hampshire, you must be sponsored by a CSJET-approved foreign exchange program in order to be eligible for interscholastic competition and all other requirements are met.

**9. OUT OF SEASON COMPETITION**

See the NHIAA Handbook for detailed guidelines regarding contact with your coach for the purpose of planning, practicing or playing, at any time other than within the season limits of the NHIAA.

**10. ALL-STAR COMPETITION**

The NHIAA does not endorse or sanction any All-Star teams or competition in any sport at any level.

**11. SPORTSMANSHIP**

If you are disqualified before, during or after a game, at any level, for unsportsmanlike conduct, you shall not participate in the next scheduled contest including tournament play. A second disqualification shall result in forfeiture of participation in that sport for the remainder of the season. If you are disqualified for fighting, it is an automatic two game suspension.

**12. MEDICAL EXAM**

There must be a medical statement on file certifying that you have passed a pre-participation physical examination prior to the beginning of any high school athletic participation. This can only be completed by a licensed physician, a physician's assistant who is under the direct supervision of a physician, or an ARNP.

**13. USING ASSUMED NAME**

If you participate in any athletic contest under a false name, you will be declared ineligible for a period of 365 days from the date of the infraction.

**14. INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION**

You must have the approval of the NHIAA if you wish to participate in international competition. A request, made by your principal, must be received by the NHIAA Office at least 60 days prior to the date of the competition. This rule applies to both teams and individuals.

**CHECK LIST  
FOR STUDENT ELIGIBILITY**

If you cannot check all of the items listed below, see your Athletic Director or Principal before participating in any athletic contest.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. I will not become 19 years of age until after September 1.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. A statement is on file certifying I have passed a pre-participation exam.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. I have not been enrolled in more than eight consecutive semesters of high school immediately following grade 8 (grades 9-12).
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. I have passed a minimum of four units of work during the previous school marking period.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. I have not changed schools without my parents/guardians making a corresponding move into the school district.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. I have abided by the Non-School Competition Rule.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. I have not received money or other valuable considerations for participating in NHIAA sponsored sports.

**IT IS STRONGLY SUGGESTED THAT THIS CHECKLIST AND BROCHURE BE DISTRIBUTED TO GUIDANCE STAFF AND REGISTRARS IN ADDITION TO STUDENT ATHLETES, COACHES, ETC.**



NEW HAMPSHIRE INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

**PROTECTING  
YOUR  
HIGH SCHOOL  
ELIGIBILITY**

**2014-15**



## To: New Hampshire High School Students

The New Hampshire Interscholastic Athletic Association (NHIAA) has been the governing body of high school athletics in our state since 1947, and your school is one of the 91 public, parochial and private high schools that has agreed to follow the rules and regulations they help to develop.

Your competition in interscholastic athletics is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, but your participation is dependent on your eligibility.

The information listed in this brochure is a summary of some of the NHIAA Eligibility By-Laws. In addition, your school district has the authority to establish more stringent standards than those of the NHIAA.

Review this information with your parents/guardians and ask questions of your principal, athletic director and coaches. Following the rules will assure your eligibility to participate in interscholastic sports or prevent your participation as an *ineligible athlete* which would result in forfeit of games.

### NHIAA Rules and Regulations are Applicable to the Following

#### Interscholastic Sports

Baseball  
Basketball  
Bass Fishing  
Bowling  
Cross Country  
Field Hockey  
Football  
Golf  
Gymnastics  
Ice Hockey  
Indoor Track  
Lacrosse  
Outdoor Track  
Skiing - Alpine  
Skiing - Nordic/Soccer  
Softball  
Spirit  
Swimming & Diving  
Tennis  
Unified Sports  
Volleyball  
Wrestling

## THE RULES:

### 1. AGE

If you have reached the age of 19 prior to September 1, you may not represent your school in interscholastic athletics.

### 2. BELOW GRADE NINE PARTICIPATION

Only those students who have been granted waivers may participate in interscholastic high school competition and then only as specifically approved.

### 3. SCHOLASTIC STANDING

You must pass four units of work during the previous grading period in order to represent your school in an interscholastic contest.

You may regain eligibility by making up academic deficiencies, failures, or incompletes of the regular school year through academic/credit recovery programs completed prior to the first date to play in a sport as listed in By-Law Article XXXVII of the NHIAA Handbook.

### 4. SEMESTERS OF ENROLLMENT

You are eligible for interscholastic competition for no more than eight consecutive semesters beyond the eighth grade, whether or not you have competed.

### 5. TRANSFER STUDENTS

If you transfer to a school because of a move into the school district by your parents/guardians, you will be immediately eligible for participation if all other requirements are met. If you transfer without a parent/guardian move, you are *ineligible* to participate for 365 days unless a Transfer Rule Affidavit has been filed and the Executive Director has issued a ruling. This includes students who transfer from a non-member school (i.e. prep school, etc.) back to your school and those students who change schools as a result of a change in guardianship (i.e. move to live with a different parent/guardian without parent/guardian changing residence).

### 6. AMATEUR STATUS

If you, at any time, receive any type of financial compensation or gifts of monetary value, for participating in NHIAA sports, your athletic eligibility will be terminated.

Accepting a nominal fee for instructing, supervising, or officiating in an organized youth sports program or recreation, playground, or camp activities shall not jeopardize your amateur status.

If you sign a professional contract in any sport, you will lose your amateur status.

### 7. NON-SCHOOL TEAM COMPETITION

A member of a school team is a student athlete who is regularly present for, and actively participates in, all team practices and competitions. Bona fide members of a school team are prevented from missing a high school practice or competition to compete with an out-of-school team, practice or competition to include tournaments, showcases, combines or other athletic events.

Whenever a conflict arises between the high school team practice/competition and an out-of-school practice/competition on the same day, the high school team practice/competition must be honored by the student athlete. Priority must be given at all times to the high school team, its practices, and its contests unless a waiver has been granted by the principal and athletic director. It is expressly understood that waivers shall not be granted on a regular basis and shall only be granted in extraordinary circumstances.

Penalties: Any student athlete who violates this rule, unless a waiver has been granted as stated above, for the first time shall be declared ineligible for the next four (4) consecutive interscholastic events or three (3) weeks of a season in which the student athlete is a participant, whichever is greater. This Penalty is effective from the date of his or her last participation in a high school sport. Any student athlete who violates this rule a second time or subsequent time shall be declared ineligible for participation in any high school sport for the balance of the school year.

**NHIAA Action:**

NEW HAMPSHIRE INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION  
251 CLINTON STREET  
CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03301-8432  
(603) 228-8671 FAX: (603) 225.7978

**BY-LAW ARTICLE II ELIGIBILITY, SECTION 4  
TRANSFER RULE AFFIDAVIT**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

**TO BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/GUARDIAN AND STUDENT**

The reason(s) for transfer are as follows:

We certify the purpose of this transfer does not include participation in interscholastic athletics. Furthermore, no student, parent, teacher, or coach made contact (either written or oral) prior to the transfer for the purpose of persuading the transfer for participation in athletics.

_____ Parent/Guardian Signature	_____ Parent/Guardian Signature	_____ Student Signature
Current Address: _____		Date: _____
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_____		

**TO BE COMPLETED BY RECEIVING SCHOOL**

Our school has reviewed the transfer and certifies that (1) the purpose of the transfer was not made to include participation in athletics within the definition of Section 4: Transfer Rule, and (2) there has been no recruitment of this student by anyone connected with our school and our athletic program.

_____ Principal Signature	_____ Athletic Director Signature	_____ Date Completed by Receiving School
_____ Coach Signature	_____ Sport	_____ Date of Student Transfer
_____ Coach Signature	_____ Sport	
_____ Coach Signature	_____ Sport	

**Refer to By-Law Article II Eligibility,  
Sect. 4-C**

**AFTER COMPLETION FAX TO SENDING SCHOOL**

**THIS STUDENT IS TRANSFERRING FROM HOME SCHOOL TO PUBLIC SCHOOL** (PLEASE SELECT)

**OR**

**TO BE COMPLETED BY SENDING SCHOOL**

(Student's Name): \_\_\_\_\_ has not transferred from our high school to  
(Receiving School): \_\_\_\_\_ High School for the purpose of participation in interscholastic  
athletics and, to the best of our school's knowledge there has been no recruitment of this student by anyone connected with the receiving school or its  
athletic program.

_____ Principal Signature	_____ Sending School	_____ Athletic Director Signature
_____ Date		_____ Date

**AFTER RECEIVING SCHOOL HAS RECEIVED COMPLETED FORM FROM SENDING SCHOOL,  
THE FORM NEEDS TO BE FAXED TO NHIAA FOR ACTION**

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENT REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF ELIGIBILITY

### SECTION I: DIRECTIONS

As this is NOT sponsored by a CSIET approved program, please provide the NHIAA Eligibility Committee with a detailed explanation of why, how, and under what circumstances this student is residing in your district and seeks eligibility as a foreign transfer student. Once the request has been received by the NHIAA, a hearing date will be scheduled with the Executive Director. You are reminded this student is ineligible to represent your school in interscholastic athletics until granted a waiver by the NHIAA Eligibility Committee. Schools using ineligible contestants shall forfeit all games and contests in which the ineligible student participates in accordance with By Law Article II, Eligibility, Sect. 21.

**NOTE: Eligibility will only be considered for one (1) academic year.**

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### SECTION II: STUDENT RECORD INFORMATION (To be completed by the student applicant)

1. Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_\_
2. Name of Foreign School Transferring From \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_
3. Name of Parents \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_
4. Person in USA with whom you reside \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_
5. Are you a graduate of another foreign or United States school (12<sup>th</sup> grade)? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
6. Month/Year you entered the equivalent of United States grade 9? \_\_\_\_\_
7. How many years have you attended high school? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Do you meet all NHIAA Eligibility requirements? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
If no, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_
9. Last date previously attended foreign school? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Date of enrollment at NHIAA member school? Name of School \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_
11. Have you previously attended school in the USA? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
If yes, dates attended? \_\_\_\_\_  
If yes, provide name and address of school: \_\_\_\_\_
12. Will you receive credit for courses taken at your school? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: You will not be eligible if your school does not grant credits for courses you will be taking.**

13. Current grade in your school? \_\_\_\_\_
  14. List sports in which you wish to participate: \_\_\_\_\_
- STUDENT SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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### SECTION III: TRANSFER AFFIDAVIT

We certify the purposes of the transfer do not include participation in interscholastic athletic. Furthermore, no student, teacher, coach or other interested party contacted this student prior to transfer for the purpose of persuading the transfer for participation in athletics.

In accordance with NHIAA Eligibility rules the following conditions have been met:

- a. The student resides with a family in the school district.
- b. The student attends the high school serving the area of residence of the host family.
- c. The student has not transferred for the purpose of participating in interscholastic athletics and there has been no recruiting of this student for athletic purposes.
- d. The student meets all other eligibility requirements.

Principal's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Athletic Director's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Coach's Signature (Fall Sport): \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Coach's Signature (Winter Sport): \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Coach's Signature (Spring Sport): \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: Do not forward this application unless copies of transcripts from first entrance into 9th grade are enclosed.**

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### SECTION IV: ACTION OF THE NHIAA ELIGIBILITY COMMITTEE (through the Executive Director)

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_ DENIED \_\_\_\_\_

Executive Director's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**MAIL OR FAX COPY TO:**  
NHIAA, 251 Clinton Street, Concord, NH 03301  
FAX: 603.225.7978



## STUDENT-ATHLETE/PARENT HANDBOOK ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

By signing this document, I \_\_\_\_\_ (parent/guardian) acknowledge that I have read and understand the provisions of the standards set forth in the Athlete-Parent Handbook and understand my obligation and the obligation of my child to abide by them in order for my (son/daughter), \_\_\_\_\_, to be afforded the privilege of representing Bishop Brady High School as a student-athlete. I am also aware that any violation on the part of my child, to any of these standards or the standards set forth in the school's Student-Parent Handbook shall result in disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal from the team or expulsion from the school.

SPORT PLAYED \_\_\_\_\_

ATHLETES NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ATHLETES SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**\*PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN TO YOUR COACH**