Student-Athlete Social Media Policy

<u>Social Media</u> – Athletic Code of Conduct

Social media refers to electronic communication through which users create and share information, messages and other content. Any digital magazine, internet forum, web-blog, podcast, photograph, video, rating and social bookmarking found on websites or applications including but not limited to Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat or Tumblr that is open to public viewing is considered to be social media. New forms of social media are constantly emerging and these, though not named, are also included in this policy. Violations of this policy are subject to investigation and sanctions as outlined in the Science Hill High School Code of Conduct, are also subject to review by state and federal law enforcement. Any and all disciplinary measures may apply depending on the severity of the infraction.

Science Hill High School student athletes are expected to conduct themselves in a respectable manner as representatives of their teams and our Athletic program. As a student athlete you are responsible for your social media use and are expected to use it appropriately. Any malicious use of social media platforms will result in discipline. Malicious use may include, but not be limited to:

1. Derogatory language or remarks regarding fellow athletes, students, coaches, administrators, faculty and staff of Science Hill High School or other high schools.

2. Demeaning statements or threats that endanger the safety of another person.

3. Photos or statements depicting and/or encouraging illegal criminal behavior, underage drinking, use of illegal drugs, sexual harassment or violence.

As a student athlete I have reviewed and carefully read, with my parent(s) / legal guardian, the Social Media Policy and agree to abide to all provisions contained within. Furthermore, I understand that a violation of said rules may result discipline including loss of athletic privileges and/or suspension from participation.

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Student Name (please print)   Student Signature   Date

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Parent Name (please print)   Parent Signature   Date