

Taylor Student/Athlete Contract

Athletics are an integral part of the education which many students receive at Taylor Middle School. The discipline policies in the **Student/Parent Information Handbook** (Fauquier County Public Schools) always take priority in regards to athletics and/or extracurricular activities. All athletes are expected to follow the handbook guidelines.

To further assist out student/athletes in a successful school sports experience this year we will require student/athletes and their parent to sign a statement which says they have read the guidelines and will adhere to them. No athlete will be allowed to participate in a practice or athletic competition unless this statement is signed and returned to the coaching staff.

TEAM OBLIGATIONS-DEDICATION & SUPPORT

- “Coming together is the beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together....is success.”
- Good sportsmanship is required of our athletes and coaches.

Academics and Eligibility

- Parents and administrators reserve the right to declare an athlete ineligible at any time throughout the school year because of poor attitudes toward studies or other circumstances.
- The athlete is responsible to obtain and complete assignments on time.
- There will be two official grade checks in the season. The first being at the beginning of the season to determine eligibility, and the second at the midpoint of the season.
- A student athlete is required to turn in an athletic contract and waiver form along with a \$60 activity fee prior to the first game/meet.

Behavior and Sportsmanship

- If an athlete or parent has questions pertaining to a decision affecting them/their athlete the first step to answering said question should be from the athlete. We want the athletes to be an advocate for themselves. If the athlete does not feel that his/her question has been answered we will set up a meeting with the athlete, coaching staff, parents, or guardian, and AD if needed.
- **There will be NO discussion about an athlete’s playing time from the athlete or their parent/guardian before, during or after matches.** A meeting with the coaching staff should be scheduled. The discussion must be limited to what you as an athlete/your child can do to improve performance. Discussion of teammates will not be tolerated.
- Any display of poor sportsmanship will be dealt with in a harsh manner. Suspension or expulsion from the team may be a consequence of an athlete’s improper actions. The director of student activities in consultation with the coach will decide the appropriate disciplinary action.
- **Frequent detention could result in suspension or expulsion from a team. The director of student activities, in consultation with the head coach, will decide the consequences.**
- Suspension from school during the season will result in removal from the team.

Equipment and Uniforms

- Each athlete is responsible for the care and security of his/her uniform and any equipment. Equipment and uniforms must be turned in on the day(s) designated by the head coach. Failure to do so will result in the athlete replacing any missing equipment and uniforms.

Student/Athlete signature

Date

Parent signature

Date