

# Pikesville High School Student-athlete/Parent Sportsmanship and Conduct Expectations

1. All Student-Athletes must be academically eligible to participate in interscholastic Athletics.
  - A student may not have more than 1 (E) in the most recent school quarter.
  - Fall Sports eligibility is based on the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of the previous school year.
  - Summer school credit can not change the status of the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter grades.
  - Missing or incomplete grades are considered failing grades.
2. Student-Athletes must be registered for at least 3 courses or other approved academic program in order to participate.
3. Student Athletes are eligible to participate in 3 seasons of athletics grades 10-12
4. Students who turn age 19 on or prior to August 31 are not eligible to participate in interscholastic athletics.
5. Students must be present for 4 periods of class (lunch is not a class) in order to participate in any athletic activity. (School approved activities such as field trips are considered being in class for athletic purposes)
6. **All Baltimore County Handbook policies are in effect for all athletic practices, meetings, contests and transportation to events.**
7. Athletes, Parents and Spectators are expected to treat opposing players, coaches, officials, school personnel, and spectators with proper respects and sportsmanship.
8. Students must use school provided transportation to and from all athletic events. (Exceptions may be allowed with written notice from the parent/guardian in advance of the activity, signed by the Parent/Guardian, Athletic Director and a School Administrator.) **\*Emails can not be accepted as they do not have the required parent/guardian signature\***
9. Student-Athletes/Parent/Guardians are responsible for the proper care of any uniform or school issued equipment. Lost or damaged uniforms/equipment will result in a financial obligation in the amount of the replacement cost.  
*Replacement costs are typically 3 times that of the normal purchase.*
10. Team selection is made by the coaching staff based on tryouts for that specific season. Prior athletic participation in a sport does not entitle a student to team selection or playing time.
11. Playing time will be based on the coaching staff's evaluation of the athlete's skill level, behavior, attitude, effort in practice/games and conduct during the school activities.
12. Athletes and parents may inquire as what a student may do to earn more playing opportunity. High School athletics is not recreation athletics and playing time is determined by the coaching staff using the above criteria.

13. Chain of Athletic Communication

- a. Coach
- b. Varsity Head Coach (Head of Program)
- c. Athletic Director
- d. Assistant Principal in charge of athletics

**14. A coach, athletic director or member of the school administration may suspend or remove an athlete from a school team for failure to follow athletic, team, and/or school policies.**

- 15. Parents/guardians agree to be positive role models for our students at athletic events by demonstrating proper civil and sportsmanship behavior.
- 16. Profanity will not be tolerated at athletic events
- 17. Disrespectful behavior to officials, coaches, players, spectators and school staff will not be tolerated and may result in removal from athletic events and further disciplinary action.

**18. Let the athletes play, Let the officials officiate, let the fans Cheer**

**19. Cheer for our team not against opposing players)**

Thank you in advance for your adherence to these school policies and enjoy the 2009-2010 athletic school year.

I have read and discussed the above policies and the Baltimore County Coaches' and Student-Athletes Citizenship Expectations brochure with my student athlete.

Student Name (Printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian (Printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent/guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_