

**South Junior High
Fundamentals of Sportsmanship Contract**

One of the major benefits derived from a child's participation in competitive athletics are the development of sportsmanlike attitudes and values such as honesty, fair play, and citizenship. Having a good attitude, being a good winner and loser, respecting the official's decisions, playing by the rules and giving maximum effort are commonly considered good sportsmanlike qualities. In youth sports settings, important role models for children include parents, coaches, officials, and other athletes.

Sportsmanship is an honorable quality that strives to be courteous, fair, and respectful. It is a blending of cheers for the home team and applause for the visitors, observing not only the letter but the spirit of the rules and showing consideration for opponents. It is playing by the code of conduct that reflects the golden rule, "treat others as you wish to be treated". Participants and spectators at South Athletics are expected to know, understand and conduct themselves consistent with the following code:

Fundamentals of Sportsmanship

1. Show respect for the opponent.
2. Show respect for the officials.
3. Know, understand and appreciate the rules of the game.
4. Maintain self-control at all times.
5. Recognize and appreciate skill in performance regardless of the team.
6. Be no party to the use of profanity, obscene language or improper actions.
7. Instruct participants and spectators in proper sportsmanship responsibilities and demand that they make sportsmanship the number one priority.
8. Set a good example for players and spectators to follow.
9. Refrain from arguments in front of players and spectators.
10. Refrain from breaking or throwing objects in disgust.

EVERYONE should see the full impact and potential of athletics as an educational and fun experience. This is a challenge that all coaches, players, spectators and officials must pursue.

We the undersigned athlete and parent have read and understand the South Activities Sportsmanship code and agree with the framework established by this contract. If either the student or the parent violates these expectations, a consequence or consequences, will be implemented at the discretion of the Administration and Athletic Director of South Junior High. We hereby pledge to do our very best to conduct ourselves consistent with the expectations of this code.

Grade: 6th 7th 8th

Athlete: _____

Parent: _____

Printed Name: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

**Academic and Behavior Contract
South Junior High Athletics**

Academics

Student Athletes are expected to be making academic progress towards completing their coursework while at South Junior High. Students are expected to stay current with their classwork. Students will receive updated progress reports weekly and coaches will be checking for missing assignments. Failure to stay current with their classwork will result in the loss of the first 45 minutes of practice. Students will be required to attend a "homework completion program" in the attempt to get them caught up with their missing assignments. Reduced practice time will result in reduced playing time in athletic events.

Behavior

Students who participate in athletics at South Junior High are expected to follow behavior expectations at all times. These expectations are introduced, modeled and reviewed several times throughout the school year and are expected by all students. Student athlete's behavior is expected to meet these expectations. Each week, coaches will be informed of office referrals and behavioral consequences of their athletes. Consequences for a student's failure to follow the behavioral expectations of South Junior High will be administered on the following progression.

Office Referrals (NOT resulting in CAAP or other types of suspensions)

- 1st Referral: Participant sits out for half of a game/event.
- 2nd Referral: Participant sits out one full game/event.
- 3rd referral: Participant sits out two full games/events.
- 4th Referral: Participant is removed from the activity. (With NO refund)

Office Referrals (that DO result in CAAP or other types of suspensions)

- 1st Referral: Participant sits out one full game/event.
- 2nd Referral: Participant sits out two full games/events.
- 3rd Referral: Participant is removed from the activity. (With NO refund)

Students, who earn one of the above consequences, must still attend their practices and games for the eligibility to be reinstated. The student will dress and support their team but will not participate. If a student is absent during this process the consequence will carry forward to the next game or event.

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