

Contract for Players and Parents

I, _____(name), want to compete in athletics at Community Christian School. In exchange for the privilege of being on an athletic team, I promise to do the following:

1. ACADEMICS WILL BE FIRST.

Your grades and class work come before athletics. Athletes will maintain a 2.0 GPA, which will be checked at the end of each quarter and at each mid-term. Students who become ineligible will be placed on probation. **Failing grades will result in player ineligibility.** A player with a failing grade will remain ineligible for practices and games until they can raise their grade to a passing level.

If you are having difficulty in a class talk to your Teacher, Coach or the Athletic Director. **DO NOT WAIT UNTIL "THE DAY BEFORE" TO DO YOUR HOMEWORK, STUDY FOR AN EXAM OR COMPLETE A PROJECT.**

2. ATTENDANCE. BE ON TIME FOR ALL PRACTICES.

Be properly dressed with athletic attire and proper shoes, no jewelry, cell phones, hair ware, etc.

Once you have joined a team, you have made a commitment to that team until the last game is completed. Character is not built by quitting. Any athlete who quits a team will forfeit his/her right to play athletics during the next two consecutive sports seasons.

We are aware that there may be circumstances that arise that cause you to miss a practice; e.g. vacation, illness, etc. When this occurs, the **player or parent/guardian** will inform their coach in advance when possible.

BEING GROUNDED BY YOUR PARENTS WILL BE TREATED AS AN UNEXCUSED ABSENCE.

This type of absence will result in the player losing playing time and/or being dismissed from the team.

3. ATTITUDE.

Our goal is to field a team of players that consistently demand more of themselves, than is demanded by the coaches. Be coachable, hustle, display mental toughness, and be focused on the game.

Every athlete is expected to maintain a good Christian testimony. At any time, an athlete is not maintaining a Christian testimony on or off the field or in the classroom may be suspended or dismissed from the team. The use of profanity or other off color remarks will not be tolerated. This type of language does not honor God, and if used, will result in a suspension to be determined by the administration and the athletic director. **OUR ACTIONS AND OUR WORDS SHOULD RESEMBLE THE LIFE THAT CHRIST HAS CALLED US TO LIVE.**

WE WILL WORK HARDER THAN ANY OTHER ATHLETIC PROGRAM IN FLORIDA. We will strive to develop good habits by practicing with good form and appropriate efforts. These efforts will determine our success during competitive play.

RESPECT COACHES, TEAMMATES, OPPONENTS AND REFEREES. Behavior that reflects negativity on players, coaches and referees will not be tolerated, e.g. lack of control or profanity.

RESPECT CLASSROOM TEACHERS AND ADMINISTRATORS. Lack of respect and discipline issues resulting in school consequences, e.g. ISS, OSS, or Detentions will result in game or team suspensions.

4. **AS A TEAM MEMBER, I WILL GO TO THE COACHES/TEAM MEMBER FIRST IF THERE IS A PROBLEM WHICH IS RELATED TO THE TEAM.** I will not complain to others, until I have given the person I have a problem with an opportunity to correct it; e.g., a team player or coach.

ADJUSTMENTS AND SACRIFICES are necessary to achieve team and individual success. **EXTRAORDINARY COMMITMENT** on the part of players, their families, and the coaches is important. In return, we have an opportunity to create a positive experience that will honor God and affect our lives forever.

5. **APPEARANCE**, especially when attending team functions, should be neat and well groomed. Hair style should be clean, combed and manageable. Clothing should fit and be wrinkle free. ***No extreme styles.***

APPLY GOOD HEALTHY HABITS. This includes 8 ½ hours of sleep when possible. Eating breakfast, eating healthy foods, abstaining from alcohol, illegal drugs, tobacco, excessive soda pop (12 oz per day maximum, none is better), and drinking at least 8 glasses of water per day.

As a parent/guardian of the above named player, I promise to do the following:

Influence my child to abide by the contract he/she has signed. Discuss any issues regarding poor academics, bad attitude with the coach as soon as possible. Be an example of good sportsmanship at games by making only positive comments about the players, abstaining from criticism of the officiating, and treating the fans of our opponents with respect. Transportation of my child to and from school and practices will be my responsibility, not the coaches or other parents. Cooperate by helping with fundraising, concession stand duty, video taping of games or practices, etc. Be patient with coaches who are not giving your child the playing time you feel he/she deserves.

I understand that if I play a sport a Community Christian School, I will agree to abide by these expectations described on this sheet and in the Athletic Handbook. I promise to return uniforms and equipment to the representative of Community Christian School after the season is over.

Player Signature

I have read the Athletic Handbook and have reviewed with my child, the expectations in this contract. I will ensure that these expectations are realized.

Parent/Guardian Signature