

Northwest Christian Schools Athlete's Code of Conduct

Northwest Christian's athletic programs strive to provide a setting for our student athletes to develop and display Christ-like character in all situations. Each athlete will be expected to prayerfully consider his/her willingness to agree to the Northwest Christian Schools Athlete Code of Conduct prior to program participation. The Northwest Christian Schools interscholastic athletic program, governed by the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association (WIAA), is completely voluntary on the part of the student. Involvement in the Northwest Christian Schools interscholastic athletic program is a privilege, not a right. All students participating in Northwest Christian High School athletics shall abide by this athletic code. This includes athletes, cheerleaders, managers, statisticians, videographers, and any other students that represent Northwest Christian High School in athletics. The following rules of the athletic code are a 365 policy that shall apply to all student/athletes at Northwest Christian High School year-round.

Character Commitments

- I will strive for personal spiritual growth through Scripture study and prayer.
- I will seek to encourage my teammates through my attitude and behavior, both at school and in sports. I desire not to be selfish, but rather to put the interests of others before my own. Phil. 2:3-4
- I will respect, support and be accountable to the authorities, both at school and in my sport(s), by obeying rules and guidelines with a proper attitude and countenance. I Peter 2:17
- I will diligently strive for academic excellence "heartily as unto the Lord." Colossians 3:23
- I will demonstrate appropriate sportsmanship, both in practice and competition, exercising self-control of language, temper, attitude toward teammates, coaches, opponents, referees, and spectators always. I will compete as if Jesus Christ was my audience, aware of my true accountability.
- I will forgive. (Colossians 3:13) I will reconcile differences with my friends and coaches. (Matthew 5:24) If I have concern about another, I will respond to the spirit of Matthew 18 and deal privately with that person "just between the two of you. If he listens to you, you have won a brother over."
- I will live in a manner pleasing to God, both at school and home, and I will not compromise my Christian witness through inappropriate behavior, such as cheating, truancy, use of drugs, alcohol or tobacco, or involvement in illegal or sexual immoral activities. Conduct such as smoking (including vaping), alcohol use, drug use (which includes the abuse of prescription medications), will result in suspension and possibly dismissal from the team. I Corinthians 6:19 I agree to the above and commit myself to following the above Code of Conduct as an NWC

Agreements and Understandings

- I will complete and sign all necessary paperwork for each sport, including:
 - Registration for the specific sport on the NWCS FamilyID webpage.
 - Payment of the sport fee
 - Valid athletic physical on file with the athletic department
- I must maintain academic eligibility according to the Northwest Christian High School eligibility policy.
- Students must be at school to participate in practices and games unless they have an excused appointment such as a doctor, dentist, physical therapy, orthodontist, or counseling appointment, or a pre-approved situation by the A.D. Athletes will not be able to miss more than ½ of their scheduled classes for this excused appointment to participate in a practice or game. Exceptions to this policy can only be made by the Athletic Director, Principal, or Head of School. If a team arrives back late to an away game, an excused late arrival could be allowed, upon approval and communication by the Athletic Department.
- I understand that any type of school discipline takes priority over athletics. Students may not participate in a game on the day of serving an in-school or out-of-school suspension.
- In all the athletic contests conducted away from school, I will ride to and from the contest in school transportation unless otherwise arranged with the Athletic Office.
- I will be personally responsible for all school equipment checked out to me and will return same in good condition and in a timely manner.
- I agree to and will abide by the rules and guidelines set forth in the Northwest Christian JH/HS Athletic Handbook, the Northwest Christian Student Handbook, WIAA, and by the rules specific to each sport.

STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING AND AGREEMENT

- I understand that once signed, this Code of Conduct will be in effect for 365 days along as I am a student and involved in athletics at Northwest Christian School.
- I understand violations are cumulative for grades 6-8 and grades 9-12.
- I understand that if I falsify any signature on any required forms, I will lose eligibility for that activity.

I have read and agree to comply with the Northwest Christian School Athletic Code.

Student/Athlete's
Signature _____ DATE _____

Parent's Signature _____ DATE _____

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