



## **St. Pius X School Code of Conduct Agreement Athletic Program**

### **Philosophy**

St. Pius X School is dedicated and committed to its students and their families. Education at St. Pius X School is based on the Gospel message of Jesus Christ, and provides academic challenges within an active Catholic setting. The school is structured so as to foster the spiritual, physical, intellectual, psychological, and social development of the child. This aim is supported by the staff and coaches through instruction and by their example.

### **Athletic Program**

The goal of the St. Pius X School Athletic Program is to provide sports for the entire student body that will cultivate self-esteem, self-discipline, and enhance the students' levels of physical well-being.

The primary objective is to expose the students to a variety of sports throughout the academic year. Students choose from these various sports, learning the fundamentals of the sport, and enjoying the camaraderie of their peers.

Students who participate in any of the interscholastic school sports must accept the responsibility of representing the school as a Christian athlete. Parents must also accept the responsibility to be a positive example to the athletes when either attending a scheduled event or at practice; all are expected to behave in a Christ-like manner.



## Code of Conduct Agreement for Athletes and Parents/Guardians

### Athletes and Parents/Guardians agree that:

1) Academics take priority over athletics.

2) Athletes are to treat their coaches, teammates, opposing players and officials with respect and consideration.

3) Respect is to be shown for all people and property at SPXS , during and after school hours, and at all visiting schools and venues, where away games will take place.

4) Athletes must be in good academic standing in order to participate on an interscholastic sports team. If a student's average in a subject or subjects falls below 70 at any point during the term, the student will be put on warning.

- If a student's average in a class during the term falls below 70, the teacher will contact the Athletic Director, and the parent, and the student is on warning.
- The AD will contact the coach regarding student participation in the activity.
- Assuming all student work is complete, the student may participate in one practice, or one game a week, until the grade(s) go up to the minimum of 70. Once the grade(s) reach the minimum required, full participation in the sport may resume.
- If work is not complete- the student must first complete the work, then may be eligible to participate once a week. Once the average(s) reach 70 or over, full participation resumes.
- It is assumed that any athlete on warning will participate in Study Hall, seek out extra help, and/or participate in peer tutoring, if available, during this time.
- It is the combined responsibility of the student, parent, coach and AD to ensure that the policy related to participation is followed.

If, at report card time, the student's average(s) are still below 70, the student is ineligible to participate in the extracurricular activity until interim time. All grades must be 70 or above at that time.

5) As with all extracurricular activities, a student may not participate in an athletic practice or game, if the student was absent from school that day.

6) As a member of a team, athletes must accept the responsibility to attend all practices/games and notify the coach in advance when a valid reason for an absence occurs.

### Athletes agree that:

1) A positive, team-first attitude is necessary at all levels of play and on all athletic fields.

2) Friendly competition is important – teammates and opponents alike deserve respect and support.

3) Athletes are to display good sportsmanship, win or lose.

**Parents/Guardians agree that:**

- 1) Payment of all fees and completion of all registration and health forms by the established deadline is necessary for a child to be a part of a team.
- 2) Transportation to and from all practices and games as well as arrival and departure at established times is the parent's or guardian's responsibility.
- 3) All uniforms borrowed from the school require proper care and are to be returned by the athlete at the end of the season. Uniforms must be returned within five days of the final game. Athletes with outstanding uniforms will not be issued a uniform for another sport until the missing uniform is returned or the \$40 missing uniform fee is paid.
- 4) Decisions regarding playing time are at the discretion of the coach.
- 5) The teachers and/or Athletic Director have permission to discuss a student's academic performance with member(s) of the coaching staff.

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