

# **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

### Athletes and Parents 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. A student must maintain averages of 70 and above in each subject. If a student-athlete receives a grade lower than a 70 in any subject (including specials) on an Interim or Report Card, he/she ***is ineligible to participate with the team for two weeks*** from the day of the issued Interim Report/ official Report Card. The student-athlete will use the time away from the team to improve grades. The student's grades will be reviewed at the two week mark, to ensure that the standards set forth above are met. If the student has not met the standards of 70 or above in each class at this time, he/she must wait for the issue of the next Interim Report or Report Card at which time they will have to again meet the standard.
- 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 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 responsibility.
- 3) All uniforms borrowed from the school require proper care and are to be returned 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.

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Athlete Name

Athlete Signature

Date

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Parent Name

Parent Signature

Date