



## DMPS Middle School Activities/Athletics Code of Conduct

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s) and Student,

The purpose of this letter is to inform both parent/guardian and student of the requirements to participate, give a general timeline of the season and most importantly, outline expectations for team members. Students, parents, and guardians are expected to be kind and respectful to all others, including other participants, officials, school staff, bus drivers, and spectators.

### ► Requirements to Participate in Athletics

1. Students must have a current sports physical performed by a doctor on file with the school nurse. Students will not be able to participate in practice until the nurse has a physical on file.
2. DMPS Athletic Registration Form
3. Code of Conduct Form
4. Athletic Fee

### ► Season Timeline

1. Athletic practices will be held Monday-Friday after school; Activities will be scheduled by each individual sponsor
2. Coaches and sponsors will determine start and end time for practices/meetings
3. A complete game/practice schedule, coaches' contact information, and general guidelines will be handed out at pre-season parent meeting and/or the first practice

### ► Student Expectations / Player Contract

#### 1. Attendance

- a. Unexcused absences may affect participation time (includes tardies and/or truancy)
- b. Examples of excused absences are doctor appointments, absent from school, working with a teacher per their request.
- c. Students must be present at school for at least half the day in order to participate in that day's contest, event, practice, or meeting.

#### 2. Academics

- a. Students who are not meeting academic expectations, which includes missing assignments and/or failing grades, are expected to make up time/work after school which may result in missed practice/meeting time and/or missed participation time. School staff will work with coaches/sponsors to create a plan that is in the best interest of the student.

#### 3. Behavior

- a. Level 2 or higher referral may result in missed participation time
- b. Suspension from school will result in student being suspended from at least 1 event/game
- c. Students serving game suspension will not travel to the away games with the team

#### 4. Transportation

- a. It is the expectation that every student has made arrangements for transportation immediately following practices, meetings, events, or games in advance. Students should wait in designated areas. Please make every effort to pick up your student within 15 minutes after the event is scheduled to be over.
- b. After away games, players may only ride home with their parent/guardian, unless there is prior written permission given to the head coach and/or Student Engagement Coordinator. Players riding home with their parent/guardian must sign out with the coach prior to leaving. All other players will ride the bus back to school.

#### 5. Sportsmanship

- a. All students will represent their school with pride and appropriate sportsmanship. Failure to do so may result in lost participation time.

### ► Athletic Uniform Policy

All uniform equipment must be returned to coach at end of season or a monetary fine will be added to the students account to cover replacement cost of those lost or not returned items.

**We have read, understand and agree to follow the procedures and expectations as outlined above.**

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_