**INTERSCHOLASTIC SPORTS CODE OF CONDUCT**

**Fairview School Athletic Goals**

*We will have more fun than any of our opponents.*

*We will play more aggressively than any of our opponents.*

*We will work harder than any of our opponents.*

*We will always play together as a team.*

Fairview School promotes development of sportsmanship, physical fitness, and skills through its interscholastic sports programs. This Code of Conduct is established to best achieve these goals and should be followed by all Fairview athletes.

1. Fairview athletes will exhibit good sportsmanship at all times. Sportsmanship is defined, but not limited to:

   Coming to all practices and matches/games with a positive attitude and ready to work hard. This includes being prepared with all necessary equipment.

   Cheering on teammates, as well as shaking hands with all players, coaches, and officials after games.

   Not conversing with officials while the game is in action. A player may ask for interpretation of a ruling during stoppage of play, provided it is done in a courteous manner. Players may be removed from the game if this etiquette is not followed.

   Refraining from inappropriate language/conduct during a practice or game/match. Any negative words/actions may result in removal from the competition and/or suspension from the team.

   Paying attention to the coach when he/she is talking. Everything being said is to benefit you as a player, so it is in your best interest to pay attention.

2. Attendance at all practices and games is expected.

Unexcused absences from practice may result in the athlete **NOT** playing in the next game.
Three unexcused absences will result in suspension from the team for a minimum of one game.

Excused absences are for medical, religious or academic reasons only. Written notification from a parent/guardian must be given to the coach PRIOR to the day of absence. Coaches will work with athletes on a case-by-case basis should a student need to miss practice time to attend a study session or receive extra help from a teacher. Students are required to inform the coach prior to participating in a tutoring session.

Practices are closed to students not on the team. If a parent/guardian would like to view a practice session, they should first contact the coach.

Students who are excused because of illness or injury from physical education class cannot participate in practices or games.

3. Athletes must be on time for all practices. An athlete arriving late shall receive an unexcused absence.

4. On days when practice does not start immediately after school, athletes must report to the learning center/computer lab or may seek help from another teacher. On Mondays when there is a practice or game, athletes are expected to stay for a supervised study table from 2-4pm.

5. Athletes may not leave school grounds and return for practice, unless he/she has prior approval of the principal.

6. Athletes must follow all school rules and those given at the beginning of each season by their coach.

7. Parents or guardians must provide the coach, in writing, with name(s) of any other parent/guardian of a teammate authorized to drive their child home from an away sporting event at the beginning of the season.

8. Athletes are encouraged and expected to complete the full season. Teacher/coach/administrator may remove or suspend a student from a team. Removal of an athlete from a team will require communication amongst all persons involved.

9. Fairview athletes are students first, and must make every effort to achieve passing grades and keep academic commitments to their teachers.
Coaches and teachers will continually monitor academic performance of each athlete throughout the season.

10. Student-athletes will undergo a baseline concussion test (King-Devick Test) administered by the School Nurse at the beginning of their first season. Fairview will follow required return to school and return to play protocols. Parents must sign-off on the Concussion Information sheet in order for students to be eligible for play.

**Academic Eligibility for Sports**

A player **MUST** maintain a "C" average.

If a player has a "D" or "F" in a class the player has one week from the time of notification to remediate the grade to the "C" or better level. Should the player fail to raise the grade, he or she will lose one week’s eligibility. The player should continue to meet team expectations, such as attending games, but is unable to participate until the grade is raised. Grade checks are Monday to Monday.

**Fairview Athlete and Parent Signature**

I, ________________________________, understand the Fairview Interscholastic Code of Conduct and will represent my school with respect, integrity, and discipline. I understand the academic requirements in order to be eligible to participate in athletics during the school year.

Athlete Signature: ____________________________  Grade Level: _______________

Parent Signature: _____________________________