



Student Contract/Code of Conduct

Athletics

Participation in athletics at Kirby Smith Middle School ("KSMS"), inclusive of all interscholastic athletics is a privilege that carries the additional responsibility of serving as a school ambassador. As school and district role models, it is expected that KSMS student athletes project the positive image that is reflective of their school, their team/activity, and our community. This contract identifies a Code of Conduct that is expected of the students who represent Kirby Smith Middle School in the capacities defined above. By reading and signing this Agreement, students accept their responsibility as role models and agree to abide by the conditions set forth below or risk forfeiting participation privileges in athletics.

Conditions for Participation:

1. All students representing KSMS on an athletic team activity are expected to conduct themselves in an exemplary manner, demonstrating good sportsmanship and/or citizenship at all times.
2. Participation in athletics carries the responsibility of maintaining good academic and behavioral standing. Participants are expected to act in a manner that reflects positively upon themselves their team, school, and community.
3. Because teams depend upon all of their members, regular attendance at practices and/or meetings is expected by all participants. Participants must understand that coaches and/or advisors may implement attendance expectations that extend beyond this contract.
4. Students agree to abide by the KSMS Code of Conduct as set forth in the Student Handbook and incorporated herein.
5. **Students must maintain a minimum of a 2.0 GPA.**

Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying (including hazing):

The Duval County Public School District believes that bullying, cyber-bullying, harassment, and intimidation of any type are considered to be inconsistent with the educational process and community values. As such, these behaviors are prohibited during school hours, after school, and/or on weekends. Alleged incidents of harassment, bullying, intimidation, hazing, or fighting shall be thoroughly investigated and disciplinary consequences will adhere to the KSMS Code of Conduct and applicable Board of Education policies. In addition, students will forfeit participation privileges as set forth below depending upon the severity of the incident

- Disciplinary actions for detentions are at the discretion of each individual coach.

ISSP and Out of School Suspension	
1st Offense	(1) Forfeiture of eligibility to participate* in any competition on the day of ISSP . (2) Forfeiture of two consecutive athletic contest for Out of School Suspension .
2nd Offense	The student shall lose eligibility to participate in any further interscholastic extracurricular athletics for the remainder of that athletic season.

**Students are expected to participate in all practices during the period of their forfeiture of eligibility. Each day missed up to two (2) days will result in an extra week (5) school days of forfeiture of participation. After (2) days missed during the disciplinary period, the student shall lose privileges to participate with the team.*

Ejections	
1st Offense	(1) Forfeiture of eligibility to participate* in any competition period of two (2) consecutive athletic contest. (2) Parent/ Student must pay a \$25 fine to the KSMS Athletic Program. (3) An apology letter must be written to the opposing school, District Athletic Department and KSMS.
2nd Offense	The student shall lose eligibility to participate in any further interscholastic extracurricular athletics for the remainder of that athletic season.

Important Notes:

1. This contract is intended to impress upon KSMS student leaders the importance of good citizenship and decorum. Although it is our express hope that students comply with these standards throughout the school year, the contracted period (setting guidelines for in-school hours and out) is limited to the athletic season activity period identified by the contract. **A new contract must be signed at the start of each new athletic season.**
2. Because this document is designed as a teaching tool, the accumulation of offenses will be assessed on a seasonal basis. First and second offenses occurring within the same athletic season carry the consequences described above.

My signature below indicates that my participation in athletics at Kirby Smith Middle School, inclusive of all interscholastic athletics is a privilege, not a right. I have carefully read this Contract/Code of Conduct and understand it, and I agree to abide by the guidelines and consequences set forth herein. Furthermore, I agree to comply with all applicable Duval County Board of Education policies, the KSMS Code of Conduct, and Athletic Department rules and regulations and the consequences set forth therein.

**If the contract is not signed by the student-athlete and parent/guardian, the privilege to participate with the Kirby Smith Middle School Athletic Department will be denied for that athletic season.*

Student Name (Please Print)

Student Signature & Date

Parent/ Guardian Name (Please Print)

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