

Providence Academy Athletic Code of Conduct

The ability to participate in sports is a privilege, not a right. Anyone involved in the athletic program is expected to represent Providence Academy and the Providence community in a respectful, sportsman-like manner at all times, both on and off the field of athletic competition. This Athletic Code of Conduct applies to all student-athletes who participate in the athletic program at Providence Academy, as well as parents and fans, and is in full adherence to Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA) rules and regulations.

Expectations of Student-Athletes:

- Treat all coaches, officials, teammates, and opponents with respect and courtesy
 - o Game and meet suspensions will be given as a result of misbehavior
- Play within the rules and spirit of the sport
- Be a team player that seeks not his or her own aims, but the aims of the team
- Build team morale
- Maintain self-control at all times: in victory and defeat
- Do not use profane or negative language on the field, court, track, or sidelines
 - o Game and meet suspensions will be given as a result for using profane language
- Commit to your team: if you say that you're going to be a student-athlete, then show up for all practices, meets, games, meetings, etc.
 - o Games and meet suspensions will be given as a result of unexcused absences from practice or team events
- If you miss more than ½ day of school the day of an athletic event, you will not be able to participate in the game or meet that day
- An updated medical sports physical must be completed and on file at Providence Academy every two (2) years in order to practice and compete in athletics
- Treat all sports equipment as if it were your own personal property
 - o Game and meet suspensions will be given for misuse of school property and equipment
- Use of tobacco, alcohol, mind-altering substances, and other drugs is strictly forbidden
 - o Multi-game and meet suspensions will inevitably result, with the possibility of expulsion from the team altogether as a result of drug use
- Participation in athletics requires maintaining a minimum of a 2.0 grade-point average prior to and throughout the duration of the sports season, with no F grades in any one class
 - o Regardless of grades earned in a previous school year, every student is eligible to compete at the start of the Fall sports season
 - o Midterm and Quarter reports will be consulted for compliance with this requirement beginning with the Quarter 1 Midterm
- Wear appropriate attire to practice, meets, games, meetings, etc. that is in accord with the Providence Academy dress code and the conventions of the sport: no toleration policy for cut-offs, uncovered sports bras, short shorts, yoga pants
 - o Other clothing items may be added to this list at the coaches' discretion

Responsibilities of Parents:

- Obtain a medical sports physical every two (2) years and fill-out any medical forms needing to be signed by your family physician
- Sign and submit all registration forms to Providence Academy before the start of each sport season in which your son or daughter is participating
- Submit a check for the seventy-five dollar (\$75.00) nonrefundable activity fee per athlete prior to the first practice of the season (make checks payable to Providence Academy)
- Transportation of your child/children to and from all athletic practices, meets, and games
- Care and return of all sports equipment and uniforms leased to your child/children by the time of the end-of-season sports banquet

Liability:

There is an inherent risk to competing in any sport. Providence Academy, its coaches, faculty, staff, volunteers, and Board of Directors are held harmless and will not be held responsible for any injury incurred during practice or athletic events. All athletes, parents, and guardians agree not to file claims for injuries incurred by the athlete anytime during their participation in athletics against Providence Academy, its coaches, faculty, staff, volunteers, or Board of Directors. In order to protect our student-athletes, directives of medical personnel will take precedence over the advice of coaches, faculty, staff, and volunteers. Proper equipment, such as correctly-fitting shoes, protective eye goggles, mouth guards, and padding specific to a particular sport are to be purchased by the family in the event that they are needed for safe participation in that sport.

I have read, understand, and agree with the terms and conditions above mentioned in this Providence Academy Athletic Code of Conduct.

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

