

# SANDWICH MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETICS

## ELIGIBILITY

The eligibility standard for all participants at Sandwich Middle School is consistent with the I.E.S.A. school by-law 2.040 (Scholastic Standing). Students must be passing every class, including physical education and explore classes, in order to participate. Grades will be checked on Friday of each week and will apply to the following week (Monday-Sunday). A list of ineligible students, as well as those with academic or behavioral concerns, will be sent to the coach. Each student who is declared ineligible will not be allowed to participate for one full week, even if the grade is brought up prior to this time. A student who is ineligible for four consecutive weeks may be dismissed from the team. Students and their parents are responsible for monitoring academic progress. A current physical examination, proof of insurance/waiver and payment of the athletic fee must be on file in the school office prior to any participation. I.E.S.A programs also require age verification.

## ATTENDANCE

A student must be in attendance one-half day (four academic periods) in order to practice or participate in an extracurricular event that day. Exceptions may be granted for pre-arranged absences or emergencies. ANY unexcused absence to ONE practice will result in not playing in the next scheduled game. An unexcused absence to any game will result in not participating in the next TWO scheduled games. Excused absences must be in note form from either your parent/guardian or doctor and given to the coach at the next practice or game.

## ATHLETIC/EXTRACURRICULAR CODE OF CONDUCT

Participation in extracurricular activities is a privilege and not a right. Therefore, compliance with this code of conduct is required. Participation in any activity by the student will be considered an agreement to abide by all of the requirements of this code with the understanding that any violation will receive the discipline or response provided below.

Use or possession of alcohol, illegal drugs or tobacco is prohibited. Athletes are expected to adhere to these expectations at all times. It is also important that athletes learn positive values, work ethics and good citizenship skills. Any behavior that reflects negatively on the team or school may result in consequences determined by the coach, athletic director and/or school administration. Consequences vary depending upon the severity of the infraction. Consequences for drugs, alcohol, and tobacco may be found on the school web-site under the athletic handbook.

**Detentions:** Any detention will result in make up time in practice. Example, if you have a 30-minute detention, you then have 30 minutes of practice time to make-up. This must be done before the next scheduled game. If there is a continual problem with detentions a meeting with the coach, parents/guardians, and player will be set up.

**Suspensions:** During any period of suspension, members of an extracurricular team or organization must under direct supervision of a coach or sponsor, participate in practices (when not serving consequences) but will not be allowed to participate in games or contests. They must also adhere to the sponsor's or coach's own set of consequences. Failure to do so may result in dismissal from the team.

## Transportation

We urge all athletes to ride the bus to and from away meets/tournaments. However, an athlete will be allowed to ride back from meets/tournaments with their parents/guardian. Parents/guardians must sign a transportation list prior to leaving with their athlete.

## Practice

The practice schedule will be given to you tentatively. You need to be on time and everyone needs to give 110% at every practice and game. PLAYING TIME IS EQUABLE NOT EQUAL! (This means you get what you earn). All players must be respectful to the coach and each other at all times.

Hopefully we will have a great year as we develop athletes and team members.  
Please read the following rules and policies. Sign and return to coach.

Athlete signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you,  
Sandwich Coaching Staff