

Holy Trinity School Student Athlete Code of Conduct and Eligibility Rules

Participating in the Holy Trinity School (HTS) athletic program is a privilege, not a right. All HTS student athletes are expected to reflect an image that encompasses the Christian values taught at HTS, a positive attitude, competitive spirit and integrity. You will experience winning and losing graciously and respectfully. Student athletes earn the privilege of participating through hard work, dedication, desire, and self-discipline. Please recognize that you are a student first, and your participation in Diocesan athletics derives from your status as a student. The school, in cooperation with the students and parents, will make a reasonable effort to hold participating students to personal, academic, and discipline standards. Students, athletes, spectators, coaches, and instructors represent the school, and they are expected to be worthy representatives. You represent HTS in all you do whether at practice, home games, or away games. Those outside of HTS will often judge HTS based on what they observe of our athletic teams so please always act appropriately in your words and actions.

By registering for a sport at HTS, each athlete agrees to the following:

Academic Eligibility

Athletics provide an educational opportunity in which students can learn essential life lessons to enhance those learned in an academic classroom. Academics are a priority at Holy Trinity School. Students must maintain a C or above grade in each subject. This includes all specials.

If a student has below a C, that student will be given a warning and will have one week or until the next evaluation day to bring that grade up to a passing grade. While a student is on a warning, they may go to practices and games.

If the student's grades are not brought up to a C or above by the next evaluation day, they will not be able to attend practices or games until the next evaluation day and the grade is a C or above.

Behavior Eligibility

When students choose to become an HTS athlete, they have to accept responsibility for their behaviors. You will exhibit proper behavior and respect towards administrators, coaches, teammates, opposing teams, and officials.

If a student receives 5 demerits during a 9 week period he or she will not be able to participate in games for a period of two weeks and will receive an after school detention. Weekly monitoring of behavior will occur during the time of the ineligibility. The student must remain demerit free during this period. The student may attend practice during this time.

If a student earns 10 demerits during a 9 week period, they will be removed from the team.

School Attendance

A student who is absent from school for illness or who leaves during the school day for illness may not participate in the day's athletic practice or games.

Other

At each level of every sport, players must recognize and appreciate that playing time may be

affected by attendance at practice, behavior, effort and attitude. Please understand that participation on an athletic team demands a commitment that involves both dedication and sacrifice and that you also appreciate the commitments and sacrifices made by your parents and coaches to permit you to participate in sports. Practice is the most important part of the season and off season. Effective practice requires your attendance, concentration and dedication. Demonstrating a level of physical conditioning and fitness sufficient to participate competently at practice and in games is very important. You will accept and respect the decisions of your coaches and recognize that coaches are acting in the best interest of the team.

Any athlete who has sustained a concussion or other documented injury preventing sport play is not permitted to return to his/her team until a doctor's release is provided to the Head Coach. Athletes must be honest with their coaches when it comes to reporting any injuries and accept their coach's decision on removing them from competition due to injury.

Please recognize the importance of the Diocesan athletic prayer that is recited before games and please recite the prayer with proper reverence. After all, you are blessed by God with the physical and mental abilities to be able to play sports, as well as blessed with parents, coaches and administrators who work hard to provide you athletic opportunities. Taking time to thank God for these blessings is very important.

Please sign and return to the school office.

I, the athlete _____, understand the eligibility rules and responsibilities of the Athletic Program. .

We, the parents _____ and _____, understand the eligibility rules and responsibilities of the Athletic Program. .