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BCCA Athletics Handbook and Sports Policy

INTRODUCTION

The BCCA Athletics Handbook is a reference guide for coaches, student-athletes and parents concerning the policies that govern interscholastic athletics at BCCA.

The coach or Athletic Director of an athletic team reports to the BCCA admin and is primarily responsible for the compliance by his/her team members to the rules, regulations, and policies governing athletics at BCCA. The Athletic Director will administer these rules and regulations as they relate to inter-team and inter-coach relationships.

Sound reasoning, good judgment, and adherence to the school's core values will be the standard by which situations outside these stated rules and regulations are determined and evaluated.

Interscholastic extracurricular athletics are voluntary programs. Students are not obligated to participate and participation is not required for grades or graduation. However, students are expected to participate during PE curriculum and instruction. Competition in school athletics is a privilege and not a right. Accompanying this privilege is the responsibility to conform to standards established for the athletic program. This privilege may be revoked if the athlete fails or refuses to comply with the rules.

It should be carefully noted that the policies and procedures detailed in this handbook are reflective of official action by the BCCA Administration. As such, all policies will be followed as written.

Thank you for your participation in our athletic program. May God bless you as you use your God-given athletic abilities and desire to serve Him in this integral part of school life.



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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the BCCA Athletic Department is to **glorify God** through the **discipleship of student athletes** and **the pursuit of excellence in athletics** with the Bible as the foundation and with Jesus Christ and kingdom relationships as our focus.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT CORE VALUES

1. Christ
2. Responsibility
3. Integrity
4. Trust
5. Teamwork
6. Enthusiasm
7. Respect

OUR COACHES

The coach is the “living curriculum” for the student athlete. Coaches at BCCA are the most significant components of the athletic program. They are both teachers and active participants at the same time. They have the responsibility to model Christ-like behaviors and attitudes at all times.

In order to be an effective coach and role model, BCCA coaches must also be thoroughly knowledgeable in their sport, capable of detailed preparation, able to motivate athletes, be able to make adjustments during competition, and work effectively under the authority of any athletic director and school administration. Our coaches take seriously the opportunity they have to mold young lives for Christ.



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OUR PARENTS

Parents of student athletes have a responsibility to both their child and to the team. Without strong parental support, the student athlete will not be able to achieve his/her greatest potential and/or the team may suffer. It is important that parents provide positive reinforcement and understand their role as being part of the team. Parents, as well as players, should be supportive and encourage coaches and teammates at all times.

Parents are not coaches. Developing a relationship with coaches, built on trust, is a key step in learning the value of the life lesson experiences athletics provides. It is also important that parents honor the Lord when attending athletic events. In order for BCCA's athletic program to be successful, coaches, student athletes, and parents must make a firm commitment to glorify God at all times.

OUR ATHLETES

BCCA athletes should be diligent in preparation, give 100% at all times, demonstrate personal discipline, be respectful in all situations, maintain self-control, show humility, and aggressively pursue excellence regardless of the score, opponent, time, referee, or situation. The ultimate and final responsibility rests upon the shoulders of the student athlete, for it is the student athlete who is accountable to his/her parents, coach, the school, and the Lord.

OUR TEAMS

Our teams should in all things strive to:

1. Glorify God
2. Play Hard
3. Have Fun



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OUR ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Is committed to:

1. Discipleship of our coaches and student athletes.
2. Outreach to opposing teams and fans and to the larger community outside of BCCA.
3. Preparation of student athletes for both competition and life with Christ as our model.
4. Stewardship of our resources.
5. Pursuit of athletic excellence.

PHILOSOPHY

BCCA is founded on the teaching and principles of God’s Word. Biblical principles, and the corresponding philosophies, may differ substantially from schools with other philosophies. Such differences, however, do not necessitate unworkable relationships. Instead, our philosophy of athletics should provide an opportunity for others outside the BCCA community to visualize actions and principles that are quite unique in today’s society. The BCCA’s athletic program is a wonderful opportunity to minister to the non-Christian community through exemplary actions, Christ-like attitudes, and a high level of individual and team athletic skill. The challenge for our school, athletes, parents, and coaches is to adhere to the Colossians 3:17 mandate. “And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him”.

The priorities of athletic participants, established by the BCCA Administration team and any Athletic Director or coach are based on the mission of the school. The priorities are:

1. All participants must honor the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and seek to glorify God in word and deed.
2. The Lord’s Holy Name and reputation of His collective agent, BCCA, must be preserved and protected at all cost.
3. The spiritual, psychological, and physical well-being of the individual athlete must take precedence over any individual or team athletic accomplishment. Athletics at BCCA is one primary means of accomplishing the school’s mission. Spiritually,



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this mission seeks to glorify God through the discipleship of students, the pursuit of excellence and outreach to opposing athletes and fans.

4. Athletic excellence and accompanying awards should be taught and established as appropriate goals for any athlete or team.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT EXPECTATIONS, PRACTICES & POLICIES

Eligibility for Interscholastic Participation

All student athletes at BCCA must be exemplary members of the student body. Therefore, standards of academic achievement have been adopted in order for student athletes to establish and maintain eligibility.

1. **Academics** – BCCA academic standards and expectations are high. These standards acknowledge that academic achievement takes precedence over athletic participation. These standards, as well as specific eligibility/ineligibility information, are as follows:

- All student athletes must be enrolled in and receive grades at the quarter and semester in all subjects.
- Each student athlete will be assigned a letter grade as an evaluation for each class taken. Grades in all classes will count and will be weighted equally.
- Each student athlete is assumed to be eligible for athletic participation until a declaration of ineligibility is made by the BCCA principal or any Athletic Director.
- For the purpose of ineligibility declaration, a student's quarterly grades and semester grades will be the sole basis of consideration. Midterm grades can help a student regain eligibility but may not be used to declare ineligibility.
- **Any failing grade (“F”), a quarterly composite grade point average of less than 2.0 or an incomplete (INC) will render a student athlete ineligible, at the discretion of BCCA administration.**
- Once a student athlete is declared ineligible due to academic shortcomings, the period of ineligibility will last until the next formal, written student academic evaluation (i.e., midterm grades) occurs. At that time, the entire academic record of the ineligible athlete will be re-evaluated. The academic criteria applicable for the quarterly grading periods (no “F’s” and a minimum grade point average of 2.0) will also be the standard of re-evaluation at the time of the midterm report update.



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After the grades have been re-computed for the midterm report update, any ineligible student regaining eligibility status (no “F’s”, a minimum grade point average of 2.0 and no incompletes) will be immediately allowed to compete as a team member. If, however, an ineligible student athlete does not re-establish eligibility at the time of the midterm report update, that student athlete may be dropped from the team. Furthermore, if a student athlete is declared ineligible at a quarterly grading period, regains eligibility at the time of the midterm report update, and subsequently is declared ineligible at the next quarterly grading period, that student athlete will be dropped from the team. In other words, any time a student athlete is ineligible twice during the same athletic season (defined as the time tryouts are held until the last interscholastic contest is completed), that student athlete will be dropped from the team, at the discretion of BCCA admin..

- If a student athlete receives a failing grade (“F”) in any subject for the fourth quarter or the semester, that student will be placed on the ineligibility list. In this grading period, unlike the previous three quarters, the student has the option of enrolling in and passing the recently failed class in an approved summer school program. A student may regain eligibility by going to summer school if the following guidelines are met:
 - i. Approval must be secured from the BCCA Guidance Counselor.
 - ii. The course receiving a failing grade (“F”) may be made up in summer school.
 - iii. Students whose GPA is below a 2.0 but did not fail a class must contact the Guidance Counseling Office for course selection and summer school approval.
 - iv. The final summer school grade will be averaged with the fourth quarter grade.
 - v. The recomputed fourth quarter GPA must still be a 2.0 or above for eligibility
- In the event a student athlete has met all academic standards but drops significantly in academic performance during a time period when he/she is in no immediate danger of being declared ineligible, the coach has the authority to institute measures of accountability to help the student athlete get back on track.



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- The appeal procedure relative to any academic problems/policies is similar to the one addressing athletic eligibility decisions. Decisions may be appealed by approaching the coach first, and if appropriate the BCCA administration team.
- 2. **Conduct** – Each student athlete is expected to conduct his/her life in accordance with the standards and principles set forth in God’s Word. This includes adhering to all appropriate BCCA standards of student conduct. Violations of the Student Code of Conduct will affect participation in athletic activities.
- 3. **Trying Out for a Team if Ineligible** – A student athlete who is ineligible for athletic participation at the time team tryouts are held will be allowed to try out for the team. It should be clearly understood, however, that the possibility of that student athlete not regaining eligibility status at the time of the progress report update and the probability that the student athlete will miss some interscholastic competition and, therefore, perhaps adversely affect team performance and team accomplishment, will be a major consideration on behalf of the coaching staff when selecting team members.
- 4. **Remaining on a Team After Being Declared Ineligible** – It is entirely possible that a student athlete will be eligible when trying out for a team, will make the team, and will become ineligible after making the team, either before or after the season has started. If this occurs, the student athlete will, of course, be ineligible for the prescribed period of time. If this student athlete fails to re-establish eligibility at the completion of the first period of ineligibility (progress report update), the student athlete may be dropped from the team.
- 5. **Practicing with the Team if Ineligible** – Generally speaking, ineligible student athletes should be spending time correcting situations that rendered them ineligible. Therefore, it would be advised for student athletes not to be practicing with the team on a regular basis and they cannot accompany the teams to interscholastic contests. There are times, however, when coaches need these student athletes at practice for the sake of team continuity. The discretion of the coach, with the concurrence of any Athletic Director or the BCCA administration team, will dictate the necessity and frequency of the attendance of a student athlete at practice. At no time will an ineligible student athlete be permitted to miss school to practice or accompany his/her team on an athletic trip.
- 6. **Summer Participation** - Participating in summer work-outs, practices and camps while ineligible will be at the coach’s discretion with the approval of the Athletic Director.



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7. **Suspension from School** – A disciplinary action severe enough to warrant student suspension will eliminate the student athlete from all participation in interscholastic sports for the duration of the suspension. Therefore, any suspension, whether in- school or out-of-school will render a student athlete ineligible to attend practice or any interscholastic contest. After serving the suspension, further disciplinary action will be assessed according to the Student Athlete code of conduct.

PARTICIPATION FEES

Participation fees are essential to help fund the cost of interscholastic athletics; transportation to athletic events, game officials, tournament entry fees and supplementary equipment and supplies. Fees will be collected by BCCA administration. Please see the BCCA office for information on participation fees. Fees are subject to change at any time. on a three-tiered structure with the fee structure listed below.

Participation Fees are not a guarantee of playing time and are not assessed if an athlete does not make the team.

ATHLETIC TRAINING AND SPORTS PERFORMANCE

Athletic Trainer or Coach

BCCA will provide an on-site athletic trainer or coach as needed. If your student athlete becomes injured during practice or competition, please make sure that the trainer or coach, along with the BCCA office, is aware of the injury right away.

Strength and Conditioning

BCCA will be having a strength and conditioning coach in the future. We will keep you updated as changes are made.

Impact Testing



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Due to the number of head injuries and concussions that occur throughout schools each year, BCCA will be looking into offering Impact tests for all current student athletes entering 9th through 12th grades. The initial Impact test should be administered by a certified athletic trainer. All athletes and their parents must read and sign the concussion acknowledgement form at the end of this policy. **If a concussion occurs, the student athlete must be evaluated by an Impact certified physician for further evaluation before being allowed to return to practice or competition.** Once the athlete is released for play by the same Impact certified physician, a “return to play” protocol will be administered by our athletic trainer. The “return to play” protocol is a 5-day progression to safely return athletes to practice or completion. **An athlete may not be cleared to return to play by a physician who is a family member.**

FACTS MANAGEMENT PARENT PORTAL

The Facts Management Parent Portal, or the BCCA website, will be where parents of student athletes will be able to find all the basic information you may need regarding participating in athletics while at BCCA. If you have any questions, please email the BCCA office.

PHYSICAL FORM AND PARENTAL CONSENT FORM

1. **For a student to be allowed to try out for a team or practice with a team, he/she must have a current Physical Form on file in the BCCA office. Physicals should be dated between April 1 and the first official practice of each year.**
2. For a student to be allowed to participate on any team, he/she and their parent/guardian must have signed the following forms: **Parent Code of Conduct and Consent & Release Form, Student Athlete Code of Conduct Form, Concussion Acknowledgement Form, Consent for Athletic Training Services Form, and the BCCA Bullying, Teasing, and Harassment Policy,** thus agreeing to abide by the terms of the BCCA athletic code.
3. There may be other forms that may be required for participation on a team: a **Player Pack/Participation Fee Form or meal forms as examples.** These will be provided by the coach, team mom or athletic department.



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TRANSPORTATION

1. All team members are expected to ride with the team authorized vehicles to and from local competitions when transportation is provided. The mode of transportation will be by either chartered bus or independent BCCA authorized vehicles.
2. It is the parents' responsibility to make sure their athletes have a ride to, and home from, away competitions at this time (subject to change without notice).
3. If at all possible, BCCA will try to provide transportation home from away competitions. Likewise, if the coach of the team drives a bus to the event, that team will have transportation home from the event.
4. Students may be released to their parents after an away competition with verbal or written consent to the coach. Students may be released to another adult only with verbal or written consent from their parent(s).
5. At no time should students ride with a student driver without written or verbal consent of their parent(s).
6. Coaches are responsible to stay with student athletes returning from off-campus events at night until all students have been picked up. Likewise, a coach must remain at an away event until all students have been picked up.

ATHLETE CODE OF CONDUCT

All BCCA student athletes will adhere to the following code of conduct. A violation can result in suspension or expulsion from an athletic team.

Athletic Conduct and Discipline

All student athletes shall adhere to the Athletic Code of Conduct. Any violation or misconduct shall be subject to the disciplinary measures contained herein, above and beyond those rendered by the appropriate BCCA authority. It should be noted that the athletic code of conduct both includes and is in addition to the BCCA Code of Conduct.

The conduct of participants in athletics at BCCA, in or out of school, year round, shall be as follows: 1). Not to reflect discredit upon our school, teammates, coaches or Jesus Christ, and 2). Not to create a disruptive influence on the discipline, moral or educational environment in our school. Any such misconduct violating these principals



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shall be subject to disciplinary measures above and beyond the high school code of conduct.

The Athletic Director or coach shall enforce all rules and regulations as described in the Code of Conduct for athletes. The Code will be enforced by the coach of each sport during the year.

Student-Athletes are expected to demonstrate the following behaviors and characteristics:

- Integrity in the keeping of one's word, speaking the truth, carrying out responsibility and respecting authority
- Respect for self, BCCA School, coaches, officials, fans and the property of others
- Courtesy extended in all relationships – athlete to athlete or athlete to coach, stewardship of the property, supplies, and equipment of BCCA, as well as wise stewardship of personal items
- Reconciliation through Biblical and appropriate repentance and forgiveness when offenses have been committed or received

Student-Athletes are expected to refrain from the following behaviors and characteristics:

- Tardiness to practices or competitions
- Careless and/or reckless behavior
- The inappropriate use of cellular phones, cameras and other electronic devices while in the locker room areas
- Inappropriate public displays of romantic affection (i.e. holding hands, kissing, excessive hugging)
- Profanity and vulgar or offensive speech and/or gestures
- Inappropriate use of social networks or media outlets (ie: Facebook, twitter, blogs, Instagram, snapchat, etc...)
- Dishonesty in any form, including lying, theft, or cheating
- Rebellious or disrespectful attitude
- Flagrant disrespect and disobedience
- Harassment in any form, both physical and/or sexual in nature (see bullying policy)



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Anti-Hazing Policy

Hazing in any form is neither tolerated nor consistent with any spiritual, educational or athletic goal at BCCA.

“Hazing” refers to any activity expected of someone joining a student organization that humiliates, degrades, or risks emotional and/or physical harm, regardless of the person’s willingness to participate.

Hazing activities generally considered: physically abusive, hazardous, and/or violating. The specific behaviors or activities within these categories vary widely among participants, groups and settings. Typical hazing practices would include: personal servitude; sleep deprivation and restrictions on personal hygiene; yelling; swearing and insulting new members/rookies; being forced to wear embarrassing or humiliating attire in public; consumption of vile substances or smearing of such substances on one’s skin; brandings; physical beatings.

Any activity that intimidates or threatens the student with ostracism that subjects a student to extreme mental stress, embarrassment, shame or humiliation that adversely affects the mental health or dignity of the student or discourages the student from remaining in school is considered Hazing.

Any activity that causes or requires the student to perform a task that involves violation of state or federal law or BCCA policies or regulations is considered hazing.

Hazing in any form will not be tolerated at BCCA and will result in disciplinary actions. There may be other disciplinary consequences as well administered by the coach or BCCA administration.

Anti-Bullying Policy



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Bullying in any form is neither tolerated nor consistent with any spiritual, educational or athletic goal at BCCA. Bullying in any form will not be tolerated and will result in disciplinary actions. See BCCA Student Handbook.

Attendance at Practices and Games

Each member of a BCCA Athletic team must assume the responsibilities associated with such a position. The athlete has an ethical obligation to the team and the school. This obligation includes regular attendance at practices and athletic contests. Commitment to BCCA teams should come before any club or outside team. If a practice or competition is missed due to outside commitments, there will be consequences for missing the BCCA practice or competition.

It is possible, of course, that emergency situations may arise (e.g., illness, death in a family, etc.) that render it impossible for an athlete to attend a practice session or an athletic contest. Absences should be few and far between and arranged with the coach as early as possible.

When athletic team practices occur on school vacation days all athletes are expected to be in attendance. If a conflict arises and the athlete may have to miss a practice it is of utmost importance that the athlete communicates this with the coach immediately knowing that consequences may follow. Summer and off-season activities are strongly encouraged but cannot be required by coaches.

If a student athlete misses five (5) to ten (10) consecutive days of competition, he/she is required to participate in at least four (4) practices before returning to contest play. If a student athlete misses more than ten (10) consecutive days of practices/contests, he/she is required to participate in at least six (6) practices before returning to contest play.

ABSENCE FROM PRACTICE



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Excused absence: no action

Unexcused absence:

- **1st Offense** Unexcused absence: conference with coach and parents
- **2nd Offense** Unexcused absence: suspension from next competition
- **3rd Offense** Suspension or dismissal from team

ABSENCE FROM ATHLETIC COMPETITION

Excused absence: no action

Unexcused absence:

- **1st Offense** Unexcused absence: suspension from next two interscholastic competitions
- **2nd Offense** Suspension or dismissal from team

ATTENDANCE FROM SCHOOL

A student athlete must attend school on the days of an athletic practice and competition in order to participate in that practice or competition. Some specific circumstances are as follows:

1. Students who are absent from part of the school day and are granted a non-illness related excused absence (e.g., a dental appointment) will be allowed to participate in the practice or contest that day.
2. **Student athletes must attend at least five class subjects of the day unless it is due to an excused absence. A student athlete may not participate in**



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practices or games if they did not attend the five periods. (Lunch and any study period do not count toward the five subjects.)

3. Any unexcused absence from school, regardless if it is only for a partial day, will render an athlete unable to participate in the day's events. This would include in-school suspension or skipping class.

Handling Problems/Solving Disputes

All disputes at BCCA, including those related to athletic matters, should be handled in a Biblical manner. In particular, BCCA encourages application of the “Matthew 18 Principle” when handling a problem/settling a dispute. This principle, in summary form, encourages the offended party to go directly to the one with whom he/she has a problem. (example: student athlete should talk to the other party at an appropriate time prior to parental involvement and prior to going directly to the coach, Athletic Director, or BCCA admin.)

NOTE: Lack of playing time at any level is not considered a dispute and should not be addressed with the coach by the parent.

If the situation is not resolved, the offended is encouraged to seek a solution by speaking to the next person in authority. In simple terms, an athlete should approach the coach first, the athlete, coach and parent second and the BCCA admin third. If the parent or student athlete feels that the proper process was not followed, then they can take the matter to the BCCA admin by placing their concerns in writing.

It is absolutely necessary that this chain-of-command be followed specifically. If not, the upper level authorities will direct the offended party to solve the problem at the appropriate level.

No Quit Policy

If a student is fortunate enough to be selected for a position on one of the BCCA athletic teams, it is important that he/she makes a firm commitment to that team. Therefore, quitting a team after being selected for the team is strongly discouraged. If any student athlete quits a team after being selected as a member of that team, that student athlete is prohibited from trying out for another BCCA extracurricular team or club during the



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same season. Furthermore, it should be clearly understood that the action of any student athlete quitting a team will certainly be among the criteria considered by coaches of subsequent teams on which a student athlete desires a position. Exceptions may occur if both coaches/directors agree it is in the best interest of the student.

Playing Time Policy

While it is true that our coaches and administrative personnel believe it to be important to broaden the experience of BCCA athletes, and that broadening is enhanced by playing time, it is also an important goal of the BCCA athletic program to strive toward excellence. Therefore, no minimum per game playing time provisions or minimum numbers of athletic meets in which athletes must compete are established at any level. Playing time decisions are left up to the individual coaches.

Starting a Season Late

A student may start a season late if the reasons are acceptable to the coach and/or Athletic Director. If a cut has been made the student must go through a three-day try out period. If the student is determined to be good enough they may be added to the team. No one may be cut to make room for this student. If they are moving from one season to the next within the same school year a team member must practice a minimum of five (5) times. The practices are also required when joining a team late that did not have a cut.

If a student transfers into BCCA once a season has already begun, they will be considered as a new student with new opportunities and will be permitted to try out for a team.

Multiple-Sport Policy

Encouragement - To fully accomplish the mission statement of BCCA Athletics we, the coaches and athletic administrators, must encourage all of our student athletes to participate in multiple sports. A multiple sport athlete has two to three times the opportunity to develop Christian friendships, Christian character, and competitive experience, reap the benefits of cross training, etc. than a single sport athlete.

If a student athlete approaches a coach or athletic administrator about his/her thoughts on the pros and cons of being a multiple sport athlete, it is our job to carefully give the



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student athlete an objective evaluation of his/her options. Never should a coach discourage participation in other sports. Coaches should share as much information with the student athlete as possible to help him/her make the best-informed decision he/she can make.

Off-Season Practice Policies - When a student athlete makes a commitment to participate in a team sport, he/she is making a commitment to the team to be at his/her best/peak performance at all times during the season. The student athlete is also facing the challenge of maintaining his/her academics at the highest level possible. Therefore, it is vital that coaches communicate and come to some agreement that is in the best interest of our student athletes.

These activities include:

- Open Gyms, Scrimmages, Pick-Up Games
- Conditioning
- Weight Training
- Skills Practices
- Drills

Student athletes may choose to participate in non-BCCA off-season sports outside the BCCA campus. This is permissible, but “club” sports must take a backseat to the athlete’s BCCA team when it comes to schedule conflicts.

SAFETY

Accidents/Injuries

Coaches are trained in basic first aid, certified in CPR, heat exhaustion, and the use of an AED. If an accident or injury occurs, the athlete will be evaluated by our trainer. The coach then submits a written accident report to the Athletic Department within 24 hours. If the injury is serious the coach will call emergency services and the parent(s).



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All injuries should be treated with caution and handled with care. The parents will be contacted in the event of severe or significant injuries and consulted with in any decisions made in regard to treatment and rehabilitation. The coach will recommend doctors and/or treatments to care for the student, but the final treatment decision rests with the parents.

Coaches treat any acknowledged condition in the confidential manner with which the information is related by the parent or guardian. If an athlete misses practice on the request of a physician, the athlete should have a note of clearance from that same physician before returning to practice. If an athlete misses more than six consecutive practices/games they must have four practices before they are allowed to complete again. If they miss more than ten, they then must have six practices.

Bad Weather

Lightning, severe storms, hot and cold extremes: The coaches in consultation with the BCCA admin and officials (during contests), will make decisions based on appropriate guidelines for student athlete safety. On the day of games, decisions are made by the host school as close to team departure time as possible.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Schedules

The scheduling of all athletic events and practices is determined by the BCCA admin in cooperation with each coach. The coach will issue a schedule to the students and parents as soon as possible in each season. If practice is understood to be every day, there may not be a printed practice schedule issued. Athletic practices may be

scheduled on weekends but will never interfere with church activities. On occasion an athletic event may be scheduled on a day or weekend when school is out on vacation.



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When this is determined to be necessary, the dates will be given out as far ahead as possible and all athletes are expected to be in attendance.

School Equipment

1. Students are responsible for all equipment issued to them. Athletic uniforms are supplied for the sole purpose of athletic participation. This equipment is not to be used for any other purpose.
2. When the season is over, all equipment and uniforms are to be returned to the coach who will keep inventory of all items issued to the team. The coach will then submit the end-of-season inventory list to the BCCA office in a timely manner following the season.
3. **The parent is responsible for the dollar replacement cost of any lost or damaged school-issued equipment or uniforms.**

Team Fundraising Projects

All team fundraising projects must be presented to and approved by BCCA admin. **Only after the project has been approved is the team allowed to go ahead with the fundraiser.**

Extracurricular Conflicts

If a conflict arises involving an athletic contest and an event related to another school activity, the coach and teacher/sponsor will discuss whether accommodations can be made to allow the student to participate in both events. If an agreement cannot be reached in this manner, the student and parent(s) will decide how best to proceed keeping the best interest of the student in mind. Teachers and coaches may assign alternative work/tasks in place of the missed event. No additional or punitive penalties may be assessed beyond the loss of benefits (e.g., grades, participation) inherent in the event itself. It is understood that post-season competitions will take priority over regular in-season competition and performances.

Cancellations



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It is necessary at times to cancel games and practices at the last minute due to inclement weather. Please do not call the school on these days! We will update cancellations in Facts Management continually as cancellations are made and information comes in. If it is a home event that we have scheduled, the Athletic Director will try to make the cancellation call by 2:30 pm if at all possible. If it is an away event, the opposing school Athletic Director makes the cancellation call. As soon as we receive that call we will update you. The cancellation will be announced immediately from the respective school office and students will be allowed to call their parents at that time to make arrangements for pick up.

Publicity

Please be advised that several media outlets may photograph sporting events throughout the school year. Your son or daughter's picture may appear in the local section of any sports section. If you **do not** wish to have your son/daughter photographed, please fill out the photograph release form at the BCCA office.

Applicability

The policy applies to every BCCA student, from the day of orientation until the student's last school-affiliated event is completed. The policy applies at all times and in all places, throughout the student's enrollment at BCCA in accordance with the Code of Conduct.

A student's behavior away from school and in the school can affect the safety of the student or others. It can also be a sign of a significant issue in the student's life and can affect the overall well-being of the school community. For this reason, all students and parents/guardians are required to consent to participation in all aspects of this policy as a condition of the student's continued enrollment at BCCA. As well, parent/guardians agree that BCCA has full and complete discretion to impose discipline or take other action, as the administration deems appropriate, for behavior occurring at and/or away from school.



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I have read, and understand, the rules and expectations written above and commit, before God, to uphold them to the best of my ability.

Student Name: _____ Date: _____

Concussion Acknowledgement Form



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Concussion Signs and Symptoms:

Children and teens who show or report one or more of the signs and symptoms listed below, or simply say they just “don’t feel right” after a bump, blow, or jolt to the head or body, may have a concussion or more serious brain injury.

Concussion Signs Observed:

- Can’t recall events *prior to* or *after* a hit or fall.
- Appears dazed or stunned.
- Forgets an instruction, is confused about an assignment or position, or is unsure of the game, score, or opponent.
- Moves clumsily.
- Answers questions slowly.
- Loses consciousness (*even briefly*).
- Shows mood, behavior, or personality changes.

Concussion Symptoms Reported:

- Headache or “pressure” in head.
- Nausea or vomiting.
- Balance problems or dizziness, or double or blurry vision.
- Bothered by light or noise.
- Feeling sluggish, hazy, foggy, or groggy.
- Confusion, or concentration or memory problems.
- Just not “feeling right,” or “feeling down”.



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It is important for parents/guardians and athletes to recognize the signs, symptoms, and behaviors associated with concussions. By signing this form, you are stating that you understand the importance of recognizing and responding to the signs, symptoms, and behaviors of a concussion or head injury.

Parent Agreement:

I _____ (PRINT NAME) have read the Parent Concussion and Head Injury Information and understand what a concussion is and how it may be caused. I also understand the common signs, symptoms, and behaviors. I agree that my child must be removed from practice/play if a concussion is suspected.

I understand that it is my responsibility to seek medical treatment if a suspected concussion is reported to me.

I understand that my child cannot return to practice/play until providing written clearance from an appropriate health care provider to his/her coach/athletic trainer.

I understand the possible consequences of my child returning to practice/play too soon.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____

Date _____

Athlete Agreement:



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I _____ (PRINT NAME) have read the Parent Concussion and Head Injury Information and understand what a concussion is and how it may be caused. I understand the importance of reporting a suspected concussion to my coaches and my parents/guardians. I understand that I must be removed from practice/play if a concussion is suspected.

I understand that I must provide written clearance from an appropriate health care provider to my coach/athletic trainer before returning to practice/play. I understand the possible consequence of returning to practice/play too soon and that my brain needs time to heal.

Signature of Student-Athlete _____

Date _____

Parent Consent Form



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PARENT CONSENT FORM FOR STUDENT ACTIVITY/ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION

STUDENT NAME: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: ____/____/____

PARENT PERMISSION AND RELEASE:

Extracurricular athletic sport or activity: _____

My student has my permission to participate and/or compete in the above listed extracurricular sport or activity during the current school year.

I realize that there may be an inherent risk of injury. The nature of the injury could be severe, including the risk of fractures, brain injuries, paralysis, and other catastrophic injuries, including death.

I understand that I will provide transportation home from school after practice sessions and events unless otherwise arranged.

Parent/Guardian signature: _____

Date: _____ Contact

number: _____

PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT FORM



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I hereby pledge to live up to my responsibility as a parent of a student participating in BCCA's Sports Program. I will follow the Parents Code of Conduct listed below:

-I will place the emotional and physical well-being of the children above any desire to win. I will help my child understand the valuable lessons sports can teach and in doing so understand that my child cannot change teams once he has been placed on one.

-I will be a role model of good sportsmanship and character. I will help my child meet his/her responsibilities to the coach and the team.

-I will do my best to make sure that the game is fun for all the participants.

-I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all participants, coaches, parents', officials, recreation staff, and the public. I will treat them all with respect.

-I will maintain a positive sports environment for all participants that is free of drugs, tobacco, alcohol and inappropriate language. I will refrain from their use at all youth sports activities and events.

-I will only make positive and encouraging comments to players, fans and coaches from both teams. I will not interfere or coach from the stands.

-I will strive to create a positive recreational experience for everyone involved in the Sports Program.

I will remember that I am a Sports Program parent, and will remember the game is for the children and not the adults. Accordingly, I will encourage my child to play sports by providing a supportive atmosphere without pressure.

I will abide by any and all Recreation Department rules and regulations and rulings set forth by the Sports Coordinator.

Parent Name/Signature: _____

Date: _____