

## Saints Peter and Paul Athletic Conduct Code

- I. Philosophy:
  - A. The coaches and administration of Saints Peter and Paul School believe that participation in our athletic programs will have a positive impact on the physical, emotional, educational, and social growth of our students.
  - B. The rules and regulations contained in this athletic conduct code are designed to positively promote the physical, emotional, and social growth of our athletes. Adherence to the rules contained in this code will enable our athletes to maximize their physical and emotional ability to perform, while fulfilling their classroom responsibilities, and upholding the high standards of behavior expected of Saints Peter and Paul athletes.
- II. The Athletic Conduct Code is in effect for all students involved in the athletic program from the first practice date of the season through the final competition of that season.
- III. It is expected that all students participating in the Saints Peter and Paul Athletic Programs will:
  - A. Refrain from the possession, use, or distribution of all forms of tobacco, alcoholic beverages, and controlled substances. (Refer to page 11 in the Student Handbook.)
  - B. Adhere to all of the eligibility requirements and procedures that have been adopted by Saints Peter and Paul School.
- IV. In the event that disciplinary action is taken as the result of a conduct code training rule violation, the following procedures will be followed:
  - A. The coach will inform the administration and athletic director of the incident.
  - B. The coach and athletic director will conduct a conference with the student involved in the incident and recommend disciplinary action to the administration.
  - C. The athletic director will contact the parent or guardian of the student by telephone to notify them of the infraction and the disciplinary action taken.
  - D. The athletic director will send a letter to the parent or guardian notifying them of the infraction and the disciplinary action taken.

## General Eligibility Rules and Athletic Procedures

1. In order to be eligible for athletics, a student must obtain an average of 75% or higher. A **weekly check** of students' grades will be conducted in order to determine academic eligibility. Athlete's grades will be checked each Tuesday throughout the season. If an individual has below a 75% in any class, they will be ineligible from Wednesday through Tuesday of the next week. No exceptions will be made for work turned in late.

2. In order for a student to be eligible for practice or a game on a particular day, he/she must arrive in school prior to 12:00 PM. Students who are sent home sick may not return to participate. When a student cannot attend school due to an extenuating situation (funeral, etc.), **prior approval** by the administration can permit a student to participate.
3. The athlete must be regularly enrolled in his/her school and in full-time attendance. If the athlete is absent from school during a semester for a total of 20 or more school days, he/she will lose his/her eligibility until he/she has been in attendance for a total of 45 school days following his/her 20<sup>th</sup> day of absence.
4. All athletes must travel to and from away contests in the transportation vehicle provided by the school. Situations requiring an athlete to come home with his/her parents could be granted by special **prior approval** from the Athletic Director.
5. Before a student is permitted to begin practicing for a sport, the following regulations must be met:
  - a.) A physical examination must have been passed.
  - b.) Turn in a Transportation/Permission Form.
  - c.) Proper insurance coverage must be indicated.
  - d.) SSPP Conduct Code **must be signed and returned.**
  - e.) Emergency Information Card must be turned in.
6. School equipment checked out by the athlete is his/her responsibility. He/She is expected to keep it clean and in good condition. Loss of any equipment is the athlete's financial obligation. If you have an outstanding obligation for athletic equipment from any sport, you are not eligible to participate in any sport until the outstanding obligation has been cleared.
7. All students are expected to adhere to the regulations stated in our Student-Parent Handbook. **Any student who is suspended from attending regular classes will be ineligible for participation for the remainder of the season.**
8. It is expected that all student participants will adhere to the rules of good sportsmanship at all times.
9. In the event that an athlete quits or is dismissed from a team, he/she will forfeit immediately any awards or honors.

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*(Detach & Return)*

**Saints Peter and Paul Athletic Conduct Code  
Student/Parent Verification Form**

**Student Verification:** "I have read and I understand the Saints Peter and Paul Athletic Conduct Code and the rules of my sport. As a participant in the Saints Peter and Paul Athletic program, I agree to abide by all the rules and regulations. I understand that violation of the rules will result in disciplinary action."

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Verification:** "I have read and I understand the Saints Peter and Paul Athletic Conduct Code and the rules of my son's/daughter's sport. I understand the special responsibilities that my son/daughter has accepted as a participant in the Saints Peter and Paul Athletic program. I agree to assert my authority to see that my son/daughter abides by all rules and regulations. I understand that my son/daughter will be subject to disciplinary action if he/she violates the rules. **Last, as a parent, I am expected to and will demonstrate good sportsmanship as a spectator at all athletic contests"**

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_