

Olympia School District
High School Athletic/Activity Code
Participant Contract

Student's Name: _____ **School:** _____

EXPECTATIONS: I understand participation in the athletic/activities programs of the Olympia School District is a privilege. Because students involved in these programs represent their school in public, they are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that will reflect the high standards and ideals of their activity, school and community throughout the year. I further understand this athletic/activities contract covers standards of behavior for both in and out-of-season and shall remain in effect for one calendar year, with the exception of summer break, unless I am at a school-sponsored event or representing my school at an event, and shall be in effect upon my signature. The Code will no longer remain in effect if I participate in less than ten (10) practice days during my initial sports season of any year.

BASIC STANDARDS:

1. My parent/legal guardian and I must sign a consent form stating we have read and understand the Olympia School District Athletic Code, Rules and Regulations, established by WIAA (Washington Interscholastic Athletic Association), the Olympia School District and individual coaches, as approved by the principal and athletic director. The complete Athletic Code and WIAA Rules and Regulations are available online through the Olympia School District website, under Athletics, and at the building athletic office.
2. I must provide proof of insurance coverage, either obtained through the school or by my family, indicating sufficient medical coverage.
3. I must purchase an ASB (Associated Student Body) card and pay any District participation fees prior to becoming eligible. Accommodations may be made if I am a student who qualifies for free/reduced lunch or has other financial need.
4. My parent/legal guardian and I must complete and sign all Olympia School District "Athletic Registration" materials including parent's/legal guardian's permission, along with general and activity-specific *Assumption of Risk* releases.
5. I understand I must undergo a physical examination and be approved for full participation, prior to my first practice for high school athletic, drill, dance or cheer squads. This initial examination will be valid for 24 months with a physical examination update conducted after 13 months.

ELIGIBILITY:

1. In order to be eligible to participate and/or represent my school in an interscholastic contest, I must be residing within the boundaries of the Olympia School District and designated attendance area of the school, and shall have attended an Olympia School District school continuously for a period of one (1) year while residing with my family unit. (Reference WIAA 18.91)
2. I must be enrolled and in regular attendance within the first fifteen (15) school days in a semester, in order to participate. (Reference WIAA 18.8.0)
3. I must attend all classes in order to practice or compete. If I have an appointment or other excused absence, they must be cleared by the building athletic director or assistant principal before I can participate.
4. I understand I must pass all classes during the semester immediately preceding the season in which I want to participate. If I fail a class, I understand I will be placed on academic probation and will not be able to compete for a period of five (5) weeks. If I receive a "No-Credit/NC" grade, I understand I will be declared ineligible for competition for a period of five (5) weeks. During academic probationary periods, I will be able to practice, but must attend "study table," or have my practice time reduced to provide more time to study.
5. I understand if I receive an "Incomplete" the work must be made up for a passing grade within five (5) weeks of the subsequent semester. If the "Incomplete" is made up with a passing grade prior to the completion of the five (5) week period, I will become eligible for competition. If the incomplete is not made up with a passing grade I will be placed on academic probation for a period of five (5) weeks from the extended completion date.
6. I understand I must maintain passing grades in all classes to maintain eligibility during the current semester. The Athletic Director will conduct grade checks at six (6) and twelve (12) weeks. If I am failing a class at either of those times I will be placed on academic probation until a passing grade is confirmed. During academic probationary periods I will be able to practice, but not compete in any contest and must attend "study table" or have my practice time reduced to provide more time to study.
7. I understand the academic probationary period may be extended into the succeeding season if a passing grade has not been confirmed by the starting date of the next season.

PERSONAL CONDUCT: Students found in violation of District Policy 3200, Student Rights and Responsibilities, items 1-27 (and as described in the Student Rights and Responsibilities Handbook) may be subject to athletic/co-curricular disciplinary action, in addition to other school discipline action, as determined by the building Athletic Director and Principal. Disciplinary action for violations involving tobacco, alcohol, legend drugs, controlled substances and conduct away from school are noted below

and may not be modified except through the appeal process. In addition, violations of these rules are cumulative from seventh grade through the duration of high school eligibility.

1. I understand the use or possession of tobacco products is prohibited at school and/or school events, and will result in the following sanctions.
 - **First Violation:** A ten (10) day suspension from participation (practice and games). If I participate in and complete a school or community tobacco education program the suspension will be reduced to five (5) days.
 - **Second Violation:** Suspension from all participation for the remainder of the season. If less than fifteen (15) days, the suspension will carry over into my next season of participation.
 - **Third Violation:** Suspension from participation for one (1) calendar year.

2. I understand the use of alcohol and other drugs is both illegal and harmful to my health. If I am found under the influence, in possession or involved in the sale/transfer at school or a school-sponsored event, the following disciplinary actions will be taken in addition to other school discipline.
 - **First Violation:** Immediate ineligibility from all participation (practice and games) for the remainder of the sports season. If less than twenty (20) practice/game days remain in the season, the remainder of the sanction shall carryover into my next season of participation; e.g., five (5) days carryover if only 15 days are left in the season.
 - **Second Violation:** Immediate ineligibility from all participation (practice and games) for a period of one (1) calendar year from the date of the violation.
 - **Third Violation:** Immediate ineligibility from all participation (practice and games) for the remainder of my high school eligibility.

3. I understand if I am at a gathering (party) where minors are using alcohol or other drugs, but I do not use and I do not leave or make every reasonable attempt to leave, I will be immediately ineligible for a minimum of one (1) contest.

4. I understand if I am at a gathering (party) and am in possession, under the influence or sale/transfer of alcohol or other drugs, disciplinary action will be taken as noted in number two (2) of this section (first, second and third violation).

5. I understand if at any time I realize I have a problem with alcohol and/or other drugs I will be given the opportunity to receive help through the school *Student Assistance Program*. However, if I am found in possession, under the influence or involved in a sale/transfer while participating in a counseling and/or treatment program, I will be held to all appropriate sections of the Athletic Code and Olympia School District Policies.

If I participate in the *Student Assistance Program* and am in compliance with any recommendations made by the District or community agency, I may be allowed to have full eligibility re-instated during the sports season, pending recommendations by the District Athletic Committee to the school principal, who will have final authority.

APPEAL PROCESS:

I understand any time my parent/legal guardian or I believe there are extenuating circumstances which would allow a modification of a disciplinary action resulting from a Code violation; I may access the appeal process by meeting with the building athletic director or principal.

By our signatures below, we declare we have read, understand and agree to comply with all provisions of this contract, Olympia School District Policy 3200 (Student Rights and Responsibilities) and WIAA Rules and Regulations.

Student's Name (Print)

Student's Signature

Date

Parent's/Legal Guardian's Name (Print)

Parent's/Legal Guardian's Signature

Date

Received by: _____ Date: _____

School Athletic Office