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Athletic/Activities Code of Conduct

If selected to represent the Portales Municipal Schools in its Athletic/Activities Program, I will contribute my best to the success of our program. Participation in Portales Athletics/Activities is a **privilege not a right**. With this privilege come certain responsibilities since students represent Portales Municipal Schools in the classroom, in the hallways, in the athletic arena, and in the community. **The Athletic/Activity Code of Conduct is in effect 365 days of the year, 24 hours a day and 7 days a week.** I therefore, agree to conduct myself according to the following Code of Conduct. I also realize that if I do not comply with this agreement I am agreeing to be removed from the particular program I am involved in.

1. I will not use/posses/distribute/or be in the presence of alcoholic beverages of any kind.
2. I will not sell/use/posses/distribute/or be in the presence of any illegal drug or substance.
3. I will not use/posses/distribute/or be in the presence of any prescription medications unless prescribed to me by a doctor for the sole purpose of treating an existing medical condition.
4. I will obey all curfews set by the coaches/sponsors (Over Night Trips).

A violation of any of the above agreed-to requirements is considered a major offense and will not be tolerated. For the first offense, the student will be suspended from participating in any program of extra-curricular activities for 50% of scheduled contests. If the violation occurs with 50% or less of scheduled regular season contests remaining, the student will forfeit participation in the remaining regular season contests and any post season contests. The student will also be required to complete ten (10) hours of community service and attend a drug education program at the expense of the student or his/her parent or guardian. Additional program sanctions agreed upon with the head coaches/sponsors and athletic director may be included. For the second offense, the student will be suspended from participating in any program for the remainder of the school year and all of the following school year. The student must also complete twenty (20) hours of community service and attend a drug education program at the expense of the student or his/her parent or guardian. For the third and subsequent violations, the student will be suspended from participating in any program for the remainder of the school year and for all of the following two (2) school years.

5. I will not use/posses/sell tobacco in any form.
6. I will meet academic eligibility standards set by the Portales Municipal School District and the New Mexico Activities Association.
7. I will keep my hair groomed in such a way that will not create a distraction and facial hair will be groomed or cleanly shaven (Coaches discretion).
8. I will be on time whenever time is involved.

9. I will dress in accordance with the school or program dress code.
10. I will be responsible for all equipment entrusted to me. Items I do not return will be paid for at my own expense before participating in the next program season.
11. I understand the Portales Municipal Schools has a **“ZERO TOLERANCE”** policy for any type of **hazing activities**. Hazing of any kind physical, emotional, or sexual in nature will not be tolerated in any program. Hazing also includes any type of bullying, intimidating, threatening or demeaning behavior.
12. I will not use any form of social media to degrade, demean, or belittle any competitor, teacher, coach, teammate, or fellow student in the Portales Municipal School District.
13. I will be loyal to my program, my school, and my coach/sponsor.
14. I will put my program's success ahead of individual glory.
15. I will create, maintain, and promote the elements of good sportsmanship and character.
16. I will accept the responsibility of representing my school at home and away.
17. I will set a good example in school, in my classes, at home, and in the area of competition so that I will add something positive to the athletic/activity program.

If the student fails to meet these standards, a proper course of action will be taken by the coach/sponsor in counseling the student and/or by dismissing the student from the program for the remainder of the season or a length of time which would be fair and just. The student will be dismissed from all programs when he/she persists in violating the Code of Conduct.

Unsportsmanlike conduct and other behaviors not specifically covered in the PMSD Code of Conduct but which are contrary to the spirit of the code of conduct are subject to an appropriate penalty at the discretion of the coach, athletic director and/or principal.

The head coach, sponsor, athletic director, or principal may suspend and/or discipline a student for a period of time for other incidents, including **“community misconduct”** that have a detrimental effect upon the Portales Municipal Schools activities/athletics program.

- a. A student convicted, arrested, under investigation, on probation, can be suspended from competition until cleared by the administration. This will be based on charges and or conviction (excluding minor traffic violations).

Consideration and discipline will be given to students with disabilities consistent with the students IEP or 504 Plan.

Any student who works out for a sport and quits, or is dismissed from a team for disciplinary reasons will report to off season for the remainder of the season. The coaches, at their discretion, may reschedule the student for another sport if they feel it is best for the student. (Athletics only)

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This Code of Conduct has been set forth with the purpose to allow me the privilege of being part of a successful program within the Portales Municipal School District.

We have read the above and agree that _____ may participate in the Activity/Athletic Program and will adhere to the Code of Conduct.

Student

Date

Parent

Date

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