



COUGAR ATHLETICS

CALOOSA MIDDLE SCHOOL SPORTS CODE OF CONDUCT & STUDENT-ATHLETE CONTRACT 2023 - 2024

Congratulations

ON EARNING THE PRIVILEGE TO REPRESENT CALOOSA MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETICS. ALL STUDENT-ATHLETES AND THEIR PARENTS ARE REQUIRED TO READ, SIGN, AND RETURN THE BOTTOM PORTION OF THIS STUDENT-ATHLETE CONTRACT IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO PLAY.

GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND GUIDELINES

ACADEMICS

- Student comes before Athlete in the expression "STUDENT-ATHLETE".
- Practice and playing time can/will be limited if a student-athlete is performing poorly in any school subject.
- Failing ANY school subject is not acceptable. If a student-athlete has a failing grade (F) on their report card for any class, they will not be permitted to participate in games or practice with the team.

ATTITUDE & SPORTSMANSHIP

- Student-athletes are representing Caloosa Middle School, their families, and themselves. While competing, each student-athlete shall carry themselves with a positive attitude and good sportsmanship.
- Student-athletes are not permitted to speak to referees unless asked by the official or the coach.
- Student-athletes should never use profanity or taunt members of the opposing team.
- Student-athletes who conduct poor sportsmanship will be subject to discipline from the coach at the following practice, including up to dismissal/removal from the team.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT

- Parents are required to stay away from the team's bench, locker room, student-athletes themselves, as well as coaches and officials, during gameplay. *the only exception is if your child is injured*
- Parents will refrain from shouting/yelling/directing student-athletes from the sidelines during practice and/or gameplay.
- If a parent has any questions, please schedule a time to meet with the coach(es) that does not interfere with practices or game time.
- Coaches will return emails and phone calls as soon as possible.

PLAYER DEVELOPMENT

- Student-athletes are expected to have a positive attitude at practices, training, and games in order to facilitate personal growth.
- Student-athletes should take every practice or training session seriously in order to be efficient and avoid wasting time.
- Coaches will provide the student-athlete with assistance in growing their personal skill level, their ability to work with a team, and assistance in preparing them for play at the high-school level.

PRACTICES

- Practices will be held on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 4:15 - 5:20 p.m. unless otherwise noted from the coaches.
- All student-athletes are expected to wear appropriate clothing to each practice and game, including bringing a water bottle to stay hydrated.

ROLE RESPONSIBILITY

- Student-athletes will put the team before themselves.
- Coaches will decide varsity and junior varsity teams when applicable.
- Playing time is determined by team needs, attitude, and effort at practices.
- NO PLAYER IS GUARANTEED PLAYING TIME. This is up to the coaches discretion.

BUS & SCHOOL EXPECTATIONS

- Student-athletes are expected to be positive members of the school community (i.e. in classrooms, hallways, the cafeteria, on the bus, etc.)
- Disruption of any school related environment will not be tolerated.
- Student-athletes who are sent out of class or who receive a discipline referral will apologize verbally or in a written letter to the instructor/ driver and participate in supervised discipline for 1 practice.
- Student-athletes who are sent out of class on multiple occasions or receive multiple discipline referrals will meet with coaches and administration for possible dismissal from the team.
- We maintain a ZERO tolerance policy on fighting, bullying, and demonstrating disrespect towards teachers/staff members.
- Upon review, these actions will result in immediate dismissal from the team.

UNEXCUSED ABSENCES

- Missing practice may result in limited or no playing time.
- 1st offense: student-athlete owes an apology to their team and 1 practice of supervised discipline (ex: running laps).
- 2nd offense: student-athlete will be benched for 1 game or be removed from the team.
- Detentions/suspensions count as unexcused absences.



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FINAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

- Coaches have the final say on ALL roster decisions
- Disrespect towards ANY coach, official, staff member, or fellow student will not be tolerated
- Student-athletes will NOT argue with or talk back to coaches, officials, or staff members.

I have read the goals, objectives, and guidelines for the 2023-2024 Caloosa Middle School Sports Code of Conduct and Student-Athlete Contract. I understand that my grades and behavior in school will affect my involvement with the team. It is understood that by signing this form, I will abide by the rules and guidelines set forth in the 2023-2024 Caloosa Middle School Sports Code of Conduct and Student-Athlete Contract.

Return this document with ALL signatures to the Head Coach no later than the start of the first practice. You may NOT participate in any practice or game unless this document is signed and delivered to your Head Coach.

STUDENT NAME: _____ **DATE:** _____

STUDENT SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN

NAME: _____ **DATE:** _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

Parents, please make a copy or take a photo of this document for your records