



# UCS ATHLETICS - Athletic Agreement

## STUDENT-ATHLETE EXPECTATIONS

Academics, Behavior & Attendance - Participation in athletic events contributes to the well-rounded education of students but academic success, regular attendance, and appropriate behavior should be the student's priority. If the student-athlete does not meet these expectations, the parent, coach, and Athletic Director will be notified and the student-athlete may be subject to further action including removal from the activity.

### Conduct:

- If a student-athlete is suspended from school, they will be ineligible to participate in athletic practices and contests until they are reinstated by school administration. In-school suspensions and out-of-school suspensions will both carry the same ineligibility consequence.
- If a student-athlete is expelled from school, they will be prohibited from participation in UCS Athletics and removed from the team roster.
- If a student-athlete has an unexcused absence from school, they may not participate in any athletic event that same day.
  - If the unexcused absence occurs on a Friday, the student-athlete may not participate in any athletic event the entire weekend following the absence. Inappropriate behavior by a student-athlete during an athletic event (practice or contest) will be reported to the school.
- These behaviors include but are not limited to: destruction of school or other property, harassment of players/officials/coaches/spectators, inappropriate language, or physical altercation.
- Incidences of misconduct by a student-athlete during an athletic event will be reported to the Athletic Director and the school Principal and addressed on an individual basis.

## PARENT/GUARDIAN EXPECTATIONS

As parents/guardians of student-athletes, your support is greatly appreciated in upholding the standards of the school and athletic department.

The following requirements are expected from parents/guardians of student-athletes:

- Providing all required registration information and fees.
- Participation fees and signed CYO Preparticipation/Physical forms must be provided to the UCS Athletic Department prior to a student-athlete participating in any practice or competition. Forms are maintained on file for one calendar year.
- The UCS Athletic Department realizes circumstances exist where participation fees may cause financial hardship. We will work to offer alternative options to accommodate families needing assistance. Participation fees or alternative arrangements are required to be made before a student-athlete is eligible to participate in practices or contests.
- Holding their child to the standards of conduct. When a student requires disciplinary action from the school, parents/guardians and coaches will be notified
- Parents/Guardians are expected to encourage their child to exhibit appropriate and positive behavior.
- Getting student-athletes to practices and competitions on time and in appropriate attire.
- If your child will be late to practice, you should notify the coach prior to the practice out of courtesy for the coach.
- Picking up student-athletes from practices on time, out of respect for our coach volunteers and their time and to ensure safety. Coaches are not expected to drive student-athletes home and are not permitted to leave them unattended.
- Communicating with coaches in a timely manner when a student-athlete needs to miss a competition or practice.
- Parents/Guardians of student-athletes who fail to notify the coach of missing a practice or competition may be subject to limited participation for the next contest following the unreported absence.
- Parents/Guardians are always welcome at practice in gymnasium/practice area, but are not permitted to enter the practice area unless requested by the coach or if there is an emergency with their child.
- Parents/guardians and siblings are required to remain in the bleacher/waiting area.

If you have any questions about the UCS athletic program, please contact Chris Tipton at [ctipton@urbancommunityschool.org](mailto:ctipton@urbancommunityschool.org).