

## **PENDLETON HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC/ACTIVITY CODE CONTRACT**

### **DO NOT SIGN YOUR ELIGIBILITY FORM WITHOUT READING THE ATHLETIC/ACTIVITIES CODE.**

Participation in co-curricular activities is a privilege that requires additional responsibilities in representing the school and student body in positive ways. This code outlines those additional responsibilities the individual student must follow throughout his/her attendance at PHS. Coaches and athletes will review this contract at the beginning of each sports season. For the purpose of this contract a school year is considered to begin from the date of the first fall sports practice and end on the last day of the school year or the last day of competition, whichever is later.

### **ATHLETIC CLEARANCE**

Prior to joining a team or participating in any practice session, each student athlete must have:

1. completed the online PHS Athletic Registration Form
2. a physical exam form on file with the Athletic Director (must be completed every two years)
3. paid your participation fee of \$90 to PHS Athletics
4. met all eligibility requirements set forth by the OSAA

### **GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES**

Each student athlete agrees to the following:

1. Students will represent Pendleton High School in a positive manner, and maintain and promote positive behavior in and outside of school. Students in violation of positive behavior standards or the law will be subject to suspension.
2. Ride to and from all school-sponsored activities in school approved transportation unless prior arrangements have been made with the coach/advisor, athletic director or principal. Students riding home with someone other than their parents/guardians need to clear this with their coach and receive written administrative approval.
3. All school-issued equipment is to be properly maintained by the athlete during use and returned as specified. No athlete shall be allowed to participate in a sport until all previously issued equipment has been returned or proper restitution is made.
4. Abide by all OSAA, Pendleton School District and PHS policies. Any athlete ejected from a contest will pay the OSAA fine of \$50 before they can return to competition.
5. A player who fails to complete a sport may not be allowed to participate in any other sport until the season for the original sport has ended. If the student fails to complete the season he/she will also forfeit the participation fee. Exceptions to this policy shall be at the discretion of the Athletic Director or Designee.
6. Attendance at practice is mandatory. Only absences authorized by the coach will constitute an excused absence. Two unexcused absences from practices or contests may result in consequences up to and including removal from the team.
7. All injuries must be reported immediately to the coach. If the student has School Insurance, a Student Claim Report Form must accompany the athlete to any doctor/dentist or hospital. These forms can be obtained from the athletic secretary.

### **ATTENDANCE**

Each student is required to maintain regular attendance and must be in attendance all day on the day of the game, contest or practice in order to be eligible to participate. Exceptions are made for excused absences for medical or dental appointments, family emergency, or when taking part in a program that is considered official school business. Students who are absent for medical or dental appointments, must return with a note or documentation from their doctor.

### **ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS**

An eligible student must:

1. Be enrolled in and must be passing a minimum of 5 classes
2. Have passed 5 classes the previous semester
3. On track for graduation based on OSAA % chart for credits/classes
4. Maintain a minimum of 2.0 GPA with no F's at the end of each semester \*\*\*

### **\*\*\* Academic Probation**

The purpose of academic probation is to support and encourage students to maintain good academic standing at PHS.

All Pendleton High School student/athletes who do not meet the academic standard stated in #4 above will be placed on academic probation for the next semester and allowed to participate in athletics with the understanding:

Student-Athletes who are placed on academic probation will:

- Students will be required to complete weekly grade checks for every class, have a minimum gpa of 2.0 and no Fs
- Grades will be checked at the Athletic office on Thursdays.
- If a student has a failing grade and is below 2.0 gpa he/she will become ineligible, until the grades are made up.
- Other academic standards may be put in place for eligibility
- The athletic director will contact the coach and player and parents.

### **WEEKLY GRADE CHECKS**

All Pendleton High School student/athletes will have a weekly grade check. Student/athlete's grades will be checked weekly by the athletic director. If a student has a failing grade he/she will have a one week grace period to obtain a passing grade before becoming ineligible. The athletic director will contact the coach and the player on Thursday of each week.

- If a student is failing a class after the study week the student will be suspended from participation the following Monday through Sunday. The student will remain ineligible until the failing grade is passed
- Students may not travel or compete with the team during suspension.
- Students must attend practice sessions during the period of suspension.  
(Student may also set-up study hall with coaches and teachers)

### **SUBSTANCE ABUSE REGULATION**

No athlete may be involved in and/or associated with the use, possession and/or distribution of illegal drugs, alcohol, tobacco products, or controlled substances. No athlete should attend or remain at parties or other functions where alcohol, drugs, or tobacco are being used contrary to the provisions of Oregon Law. When an athlete discovers that alcohol and/or drugs are being used illegally he/she must promptly remove him/herself from the premises. The observation of a coach, teacher, or administrator, the report of a police officer, and/or admission of a violation by an athlete is sufficient evidence for suspension.

#### **DRUGS/ALCOHOL:**

##### **First Offense –**

1. Suspension for the number of contest dates representing 20% of the season. The suspension will be carried over to the next sport season if the number of contest dates missed by the athlete is less than 20%. During the suspension period, the athlete must attend all practice sessions and games unless otherwise arranged with the coach.
2. Enroll in and pass the next scheduled "Reconnecting" class, or an alternative approved by the athletic director.
3. Agree to random drug/alcohol testing at parent's expense for the remainder of the school year (to be monitored by PHS Administration) at the request of the coach, administration or parent.

##### **Second Offense –**

1. Suspension for the number of contest dates representing 50% of the season. The suspension will be carried over to the next sport season if the number of contest dates missed by the athlete is less than 50%. During the suspension period, the athlete must attend all practice sessions and games unless otherwise arranged with the coach. In addition, the student must agree to repeat steps #2 and #3 listed under the first offense.

##### **Third Offense –**

1. A third violation will result in suspension from practices and competitions from all school athletic programs for a minimum of one calendar year up to the remainder of the student's tenure at PHS. In addition, the student must agree to repeat steps #2 and #3 listed under the first offense.

#### **TOBACCO:**

All violations of the athletic code involving the use of tobacco products will result in suspension from participation as follows:

1. Suspension for the number of contest dates representing 20% of the season. The suspension will be carried over to the next sport season if the number of contest dates missed by the athlete is less than 20%. During the suspension period, the athlete must attend all practice sessions and games unless otherwise arranged with the coach.
2. Enroll in and pass the next scheduled "Reconnecting" class, or an alternative approved by the athletic director.