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

All Pendleton High School student/athletes who do not meet the academic standards will be ineligible to compete in games or contests until the student is passing 5 classes.

Grade checks will be bi-weekly.

BI-WEEKLY GRADE CHECKS

All Pendleton High School student/athletes will have a bi-weekly grade check. The Athletic Director or Athletic Secretary will contact the coach and the player on the first day of grade check week.

- If a student is deemed academically ineligible, they will have until their next contest to raise their grades to OSAA standards to regain eligibility.
- Students may not travel or compete with the team during ineligibility.
- Students must attend practice sessions during the period of ineligibility. (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.