

# **ST. LUCY'S PRIORY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC CODE PARENT-STUDENT CONTRACT**

Your daughter has indicated a desire to compete in interscholastic athletics at St. Lucy's Priory High School. This decision involves certain responsibilities on the part of both parent and student.

The general philosophy of St. Lucy's is one that fosters the spiritual, academic, and social development of the student. A program of interscholastic sports is offered for those who choose to participate in athletic development. All athletic activities shall be in conjunction with the rules and regulations set forth by the California Interscholastic Federation.

Through participation in the athletic program at St. Lucy's, the student-athlete should demonstrate the following:

1. Good sportsmanship through a cooperative effort.
2. Proficiency in the abilities and skills of the particular sport.
3. Respect for the lines of authority that exist as a function of the organization of the particular sport within the context of the school environment.
4. Responsibility in terms of the personal commitments of the athletes to their school work, teachers, coaches, teammates, and family.
5. Pride in the representation of St. Lucy's Priory High School through quality athletic participation.

In accordance with the above philosophy, the following guidelines have been set:

1. Coaches, Players & Game Officials are to be treated with respect at all times by both parents and athletes. Athletes will be removed from a game if they or their parents are behaving in a manner not representative of this philosophy.
2. No abusive, vulgar, profane, or offensive language will be used by any player or parent at any time.
3. Alcohol, tobacco, and narcotics are injurious to the body. For your physical, mental, and moral betterment the use of these substances will not be permitted.
4. The following is the school policy governing scholastic eligibility for extra-curricular activities as stated in the student handbook:

## **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

### **Scholastic Eligibility**

Eligibility shall be determined at the end of each quarter and is based on the following criteria:

1. All student athletes must meet the general eligibility requirements as stated in Article 2 of the California Interscholastic Federation, Southern Section Bylaws.
2. All students must maintain a 2.0 gpa. The 2.0 grade point average will be based upon all subjects that the school normally includes in the G.P.A. The 4 point scale is used: A = 4; B = 3; C = 2; D = 1; F = 0. Physical Education is not included.
3. No student is eligible if she receives a quarter F in any subject.
4. No student is eligible if she receives three D's in any one quarter.
5. Freshmen students will not begin eligibility under this provision until the completion of the first quarter of their freshman year.
6. Student athletes who enter from another school will be eligible under C.I.F. rules and have the next quarter to become eligible under St. Lucy's High School rules.

7. At the end of each quarter, a list of those ineligible shall be circulated to the moderators and coaches, and the students affected shall be notified that they must terminate their active participation in that activity or sport. Eligibility is usually not re-established until the next quarter grading period.
8. Eligibility may be regained by taking and passing enough work in the summer to make up credit deficiencies for the fourth quarter.
9. A failed summer school course will not make a student ineligible at the close of school.

### **Other Conditions of Eligibility**

1. No student may receive more than three "Needs Improvement" in Conduct.
2. No student may receive two or more "Unsatisfactory" in Conduct and/or Effort in different classes.
3. No student may receive an "Unsatisfactory" in Conduct in combination with any other "NI's" in Conduct from another class.
4. In order to participate in practice or a contest the student must have been in classes for the minimum of half a day. Any exceptions will be cleared by the Athletic Director before the day in question.
5. All students are responsible to make up any homework, activities or tests for any day not in class due to an event.

This policy governs all school extracurricular activities such as athletics, Drama, Associated Student Body Offices, Cheerleaders, etc.

5. Students must meet the standards set by C.I.F. and St. Lucy's regarding eligibility during their season of sport. This includes maintaining amateur status as governed by C.I.F.
  - a) C.I.F. BLUE BOOK - ARTICLE 60-600: "A student becomes ineligible if the student competes in a contest on an outside team, in the same sport, during the student's high school season of sport. A season of sport is defined as that period which begins with a student's first interscholastic competition. (Practice, tournament, or league game)."
  - b) ST. LUCY'S POLICY: In addition to the C.I.F. rule, St. Lucy's has established that players may not practice or play the same sport with an outside team during their season of sport. Students must make a choice regarding team membership.
6. Prior to participation in conditioning, tryouts, practice sessions, or an athletic contest a student must be properly registered. Each of the following documents must be downloaded and turned in to the Athletic Office. Hard copy originals only. EMAILS AND FAXES ARE NOT ACCEPTED.
  - a) Have on file in the athletic office a physician's statement for the current year certifying that the student has passed an adequate physical examination, in the opinion of the examining physician, the student is able to fully compete in extra-curricular athletics.
    - 1) To resume participation following an illness and/or injury serious enough to require medical care, a participating student must present to her coach or Athletic Director a physician's written release.
  - b) Have on file a signed PERMIT TO TRAVEL.
  - c) Have on file a signed MEDICAL EMERGENCY FORM.
  - d) Have on file the signed AGREEMENT STATEMENT indicating that you have read and agree to the PARENT/STUDENT CONTRACT and understand the WARNING TO STUDENTS AND PARENTS.
  - e) Have on file the signed CIF contract.
7. Each student is responsible for the uniforms and any other equipment issued and used during her season of sport. Any abuse or loss of school property will result in the student/parent being billed for its replacement.
8. Each student is asked to help contribute financially to her program by actively participating in the fundraiser chosen for her sport. She is held responsible for the products being sold while they are in her possession and will be billed for loss, damage, and etc. Each student is also responsible for pay a bus fee prior to the start of the season.

9. No student will be allowed to try out for another sport until all obligations and commitments are cleared in her previous sport. This includes the return of all uniforms, equipment, and money due.
10. Regular attendance at practice and games is mandatory for a student to remain on the team. Each coach will establish the guidelines for their sport.
11. Students will be removed from a contest if a parent is behaving in a manner not in keeping with the St. Lucy's and Sierra League guidelines for proper, positive spectator behavior.
12. Students will be removed from a team for serious and/or repeated violations of this code.

## **WARNING TO STUDENTS AND PARENTS**

By its very nature, competitive athletics may put students in situations in which SERIOUS CATASTROPHIC and, perhaps, FATAL ACCIDENTS may occur.

Many forms of athletic competition result in violent physical contact among players, the use of equipment, which may result in accidents, strenuous physical exertion, and numerous other exposures to risk of injury.

Students and parents must assess the risks involved in such participation and make their choice to participate in spite of those risks. No amount of instruction, precaution, or supervision will totally eliminate all risk of injury. Just as driving an automobile involves choice of risk, athletic participation by high school students also may be inherently dangerous. The obligation of parents and students in making this choice to participate cannot be over-stated. There have been accidents resulting in death, paraplegia, quadriplegia, and other very serious permanent physical impairment as a result of athletic competition.

By granting permission for your student to participate in athletic competition, you, the parent or guardian, acknowledge that such risk exists.

By choosing to participate, you, the student, acknowledge that such risk exists.

Students will be instructed in proper techniques to be used in athletic competition and in the proper utilization of all equipment worn or used in practice and competition. Students must adhere to that instruction and utilization and must refrain from improper uses and techniques.

As previously stated, no amount of instruction, precaution, and supervision will totally eliminate all risk of serious, catastrophic, or even fatal injury.

If any of the foregoing is not completely understood, please contact the school principal for further information.

## AGREEMENT AUTHORIZATION

Please sign below indicating you have read the above pages and fully understand the policies set forth by St. Lucy's Priory High School and are aware of the responsibilities, obligations, and risk of injury as a student-athlete. By signing you are also indicating your approval and support of St. Lucy's Athletic Program. It should also be understood that this agreement is by no means inclusive of all the rules and regulations governing St. Lucy's Athletics. Athletic policies are further defined in the C.I.F. Blue Book, National Federation Rules, St. Lucy's Parent/Student Handbook, etc.

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