## **Code of Conduct for Student Athlete**

Being a member of the school's athletic team is a privilege that carries certain expectations and responsibilities. During athletic events, including but not limited to practices and contests, the student represents her or his school and community. The student athlete is therefore obligated to uphold the rules and responsibilities of participation in high school athletics. Some of the expectations that the school staff require of the student athlete are outlined below.

- **A.** Academic responsibilities: The student's academic studies and achievement are priorities. Participation in athletics and other extracurricular activities enhances the student's academic achievement by preparing the student for life as an adult. Students are expected to have a well-rounded high school experience that includes a balance of athletics and academic performance.
- **B.** Respect for one's school responsibilities: The student's respect for his or her school is another priority. By participating in athletics, the student contributes to the betterment of her or his school's reputation.

Many students who participate in athletics often assume leadership roles as members of their respective teams. Their conduct is judged on and off the playing field by their peers and community members.

Additionally, other students look up to student athletes as role models. Thus, the student athlete should always remember that she or he is in a leadership role, and has the responsibility to make good choices and be a positive contributor to enhancing school spirit and community pride.

**C.** Good team player responsibilities: The student represents his or her family, school, and self when they choose to participate in athletics. The student is expected to follow rules, regulations, policies, and the athletic staff and her or his coach's directives during training, practice, and participation in athletic events.