

## **Code of Conduct Student-Athlete's Pledge**

I understand that being a member of a Waldron Mercy Academy athletic team is a privilege that brings with it responsibility to play and act always in the spirit of Mercy.

I understand the importance of fair play while playing hard. I will not engage in any disrespectful behavior toward administration, coaches, officials, opponents, spectators or my teammates.

I pledge to be at all practices and games, on time and with the proper equipment. I understand that if I fail to attend a practice or a game, or if I am late, I may be disciplined, including loss of playing time.

I understand that I represent Waldron Mercy Academy at all times. As a student-athlete, I will reflect the spirit of Mercy; I will stress the Christian value of fair play; I will respect authorities, teammates, and opponents; and I will exhibit grace when we win and dignity when we lose.

If I violate this Pledge, I understand that I will be disciplined, including possible expulsion from the team.

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Student-Athlete Signature

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Date

## **Code of Conduct Parents' Pledge**

As a parent of a student-athlete, I will remember that school athletics is an extension of the Waldron Mercy Academy classroom.

In keeping with this, I agree that I will show respect for all players, coaches, administration and spectators. I agree that I will not yell out instructions to my child or any player, as that is the coach's job. I will limit my comments during the game to encouraging my child and other players for both teams. I will not make negative comments about the coaches or other members of the team at any time.

I agree that I will work to ensure that my child attends all games and practices on time and with proper equipment. I understand that failure to attend may result in discipline, including loss of playing time. I also agree to provide the coach with advance notice of excused absences.

I understand that the coach will make decisions regarding playing time, team rules and discipline. If I have serious concerns about the coach's decisions, I agree that I will take time to speak to the coach at an agreed-upon time and place, not during a game or on the game field.

I understand that fewer than one percent of youth sports participants receive college scholarships and that the top three reasons kids play sports are to have fun, make friends and learn new skills. I understand that the game is for players, and I agree that I will keep sports in proper perspective.

I understand that my child represents Waldron Mercy Academy at all times. As a student-athlete, I will encourage my child to reflect the spirit of Mercy; to stress the Christian value of fair play; to respect authorities, teammates, and opponents; and to exhibit grace when we win and dignity when we lose.

If I violate this Pledge, I understand that my child's privilege of participating in Waldron Mercy Academy athletics may be limited or revoked.

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Parent Signature

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