

Westwood Schools - Student Contract

Grades 6th – 12th

I, _____, hereby agree to the terms and conditions set forth in this contract on rules, attitude, behavior and conduct.

As a student at Westwood Schools, I understand that attending Westwood is a privilege. In order to enjoy that privilege, I must adhere to the guidelines set forth by the administration of Westwood Schools.

Westwood students will always be held to a higher standard regarding their attitude, behavior and conduct while in school and at extracurricular events. Failure to comply with these rules and regulations may result in my extra-curricular participation privileges being revoked. The final consequences for breaching this contract will be determined by the Headmaster.

For purpose of this contract, all sports, literary, drama or extra-curricular participation shall be referred to as “activities”.

Violations

Examples of violations that could result in student privileges being revoked include, but are not limited to:

1. Any form of bullying including, but not limited to, physical bullying, verbal bullying or cyber bullying
2. Insubordination or being disrespectful to authority
3. Cutting class
4. Leaving campus without permission
5. Cheating/Plagiarism
6. Improper conduct at school related events
7. Improper conduct online or through social media
8. Poor academic performance
9. Willful and continued disobedience
10. Obscene/Profane language or gestures
11. Possession or use of drugs, alcohol or tobacco, including e-cigarettes
12. Criminal conduct
13. Excessive tardy violations or unexcused absences
14. Suspension
15. Vandalism of school property
16. Any other conduct the administration deems necessary to warrant disciplinary action and removal from athletics

Attendance

Students are not allowed to participate in any school related extracurricular event, athletic competition, practices, etc. if they are not present for half of the school day (4 classes), unless Administration approval was given prior.

Student participants will attend all practices, games and events. If an unusual circumstance arises whereby a practice, game or event must be missed, the coach or advisor must be notified prior by personal contact, phone call or written statement from the parent/guardian. Any student participant who cuts practice, fails to appear for a game/competition, or fails to attend school the day after a game/competition may not be allowed to participate for any number of games/competition for a period of time to be determined by the Coach/Advisor, Athletic Director or Headmaster. Excessive absences from practice, games or events may be cause for removal from extra-curricular activity. A student must be counted present for four class periods on a game/competition day to be eligible to play/participate.

Failed Classes and Eligibility

To be eligible to participate in extra-curricular activities, the student must be in compliance with GIAA/GISA rules and regulations. GIAA/GISA eligibility requires students to pass a minimum of five academic classes each semester.

In addition to the GIAA/GISA requirements, Westwood Schools requires that students must have passing grades in all academic subjects at each grading period in order to participate in interscholastic competition, including practices. This includes athletics, cheerleading, one act play, and literary.

8th – 12th grade students must have passing grades in all academic subjects at each grading period.

If the student has failing grades in one or more academic subjects on their progress report, the student is required to attend 10 thirty-minute sessions of tutoring with the teacher of each failing class. It is the student’s responsibility to coordinate session dates and times with the teacher of each affected class.

When the student has completed the required 10 sessions of tutoring and is passing the class, the student’s grades will be evaluated and if after 10 sessions of tutoring the student is not passing, they must continue with tutoring until passing the class.

Additionally, students who participate in interscholastic competition including athletics, cheerleading, one act play, and literary will not be eligible to participate in competitions or practices until the student has completed the required 10 sessions of tutoring AND is passing the class. If after 10 sessions of tutoring the student is not passing, they must continue with tutoring until passing the class before they can become eligible to participate in interscholastic competitions and practices.

Consequences for failure to complete the required sessions will be at the Headmaster’s discretion.

Equipment/Uniforms

All athletes are responsible for all equipment and uniforms issued. Athletes will have to pay to replace any equipment or uniforms that are not returned.

Physical Exams

Athletes are required to have a current signed physician’s exam and a signed GISA Concussion Form on file to participate in athletics.

Job

Athletes cannot be obligated to a job that in anyway interferes with practices or games.

Chain of Command

Students and parents who have concerns should follow the proper chain of command for any problem resolution:

- 1. Student and Teacher or Coach
- 2. Parent, Student and Teacher or Coach
- 3. Parent, Student, and Teacher or Coach & AD
- 4. Parent, Student, Teacher or Coach & AD, and Headmaster

Students and/or parents who speak with the Teacher, AD and/or Headmaster will be asked if they have followed the chain of command.

I have read and completely understand if I do not comply with the Student Contract, I may be removed from extracurricular activities at Westwood Schools and subject to losing the privilege to attend Westwood Schools.

Student Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date