Athletic Participation Contract

Welcome to the St. Patrick Athletics. To ensure success and fun for all involved, we would like you (and your athlete) to read and agree to the following ideals that we at St. Patrick School feel are crucial to the athletic program. Parents and athletes please initial by each number.

_____ 1. All players must maintain a **2.0 grade point average** (with no "D", "F" or unsatisfactory in any core subject) and complete all school assignments. Please refer to the St. Patrick School Handbook for the specifics regarding this rule.

_____ 2. Sportsmanship is an important part of athletics. Best behavior is a must on and off the court. Please remember that you are not only representing your team, you are representing St. Patrick School.

_____ 3. **Athletes are expected to attend ALL games and practices.** The only acceptable excuse will be a school absence or special approval from our principal. If a player's attendance becomes an issue for his or her coach, there is a possibility he or she will be removed from the team.

_____ 4. Athletes are expected to be on time for all practices and games. If tardiness becomes a pattern, there is a possibility he or she will be removed from the team. Punctuality is important to all teams. Every second of practice helps your team become better, so do your best to be on time.

_____ 5. Every athlete will be given playing time but please remember that the amount of time will vary for each athlete. Time will be allocated according to attitude, attendance, and ability. The competitive nature of a game demands careful consideration of playing time.

_____ 6. It is your responsibility to notify the coach if you must miss a practice or game for any reason. This will allow your coach to plan around your absence.

_____ 7. All athletes are expected to support their teammates! Your presence and support at each other's game is encouraged when possible.

_____ 8. Parents are asked to model and maintain good sportsmanship at all times. This includes refraining from publicly commenting or criticizing referees, players and coaches. We realize that concerns may arise during the season. Please address those concerns at an appropriate time. If you have a concern with a coach, at a game, please wait until the next day. **Never address the coach with these issues immediately following or during a game.** Coaches need time to reflect. **Remember that parents, as well as students, are representing St. Patrick School.**

_____ 9. Athletes and parents understand that student must attend the full day of school in order to go to a practice/game (a note from a doctor or dentist appointment will be the exception).

By initialing by the numbers and signing below, I acknowledge that I have read the above expectations for parents and athletes and will follow them.

School Year _____ _____

Athlete's Printed Name _____

Athlete's Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____