



Department of Athletics

Athletic Code of Conduct

Oak Hill Academy has adopted the following guidelines for students participating in our athletic programs:

Student Eligibility:

- Students must be doing acceptable work and showing a positive attitude and effort in all classes to remain an active member of an athletic team.
- Students with two or more failures for a marking period are not permitted to participate during the following marking period (total of four marking periods). If the student-athlete is able to become eligible again through making the grades in the following marking period, then they may participate again for an athletic team. The student-athlete must re-establish him/herself as an active member of the team after a length of time designated by the coach and athletic director.
- In certain sports, students must be in specific grades for Oak Hill Academy to compete in the league.

<u>Season</u>	<u>Sport</u>	<u>Grades</u>	<u>Boys/Girls</u>
<i>Fall (Sept.-Nov.)</i>	<i>Cross-Country</i>	<i>3-8</i>	<i>Co-ed</i>
	<i>Soccer</i>	<i>6-8</i>	<i>Boys</i>
	<i>Soccer</i>	<i>5-8</i>	<i>Girls</i>
	<i>Intramural Tennis</i>	<i>4-8</i>	<i>Co-ed</i>
<i>Winter (Nov.-March)</i>	<i>Basketball</i>	<i>5&6</i>	<i>Boys</i>
	<i>Basketball</i>	<i>7&8</i>	<i>Boys</i>
	<i>Basketball</i>	<i>5-8</i>	<i>Girls</i>
	<i>Cheerleading</i>	<i>5-8</i>	<i>Co-ed</i>
	<i>Swimming</i>	<i>5-8</i>	<i>Co-ed</i>
<i>Spring (March-June)</i>	<i>Baseball</i>	<i>6-8</i>	<i>Boys</i>
	<i>Softball</i>	<i>5-8</i>	<i>Girls</i>
	<i>Tennis</i>	<i>5-8</i>	<i>Co-ed</i>
	<i>Cross Country</i>	<i>3-8</i>	<i>Co-ed</i>

Leagues: *Monmouth County Intermediate School Soccer League – Boys/Girls Soccer*
Shore Athletic League – Boys/Girls Basketball and Baseball / Softball

Attendance:

Attendance at practice sessions and athletic contests (events, games, matches, meets) is extremely important to the success of all our teams. Each athlete has an obligation to themselves, teammates, coaches and school to be at every practice and contest. This is commitment. If a student is in school and is physically unable to participate in a practice session or game due to an injury or sickness, it is highly suggested that the student still attend the session. This will ensure that the student-athlete does not miss any teaching taking place that day. Student-athletes must be in school the day of a contest to participate and 12 o'clock noon is the deadline for attendance. Prior approval from the Head of School or Director of Athletics can override this rule for a valid excuse (Doctor's appointment, Funeral, etc.)

Physical Education:

Students who are unprepared or excused from Physical Education class will not be permitted to participate in after school athletics on that particular day. Team uniforms are not to be worn in Physical Education class at any time.

Athletic Equipment (Uniforms):

The student-athlete is responsible for the proper upkeep during the season and return at the conclusion of all the items issued. The uniforms issued to each student-athlete are in good condition and meet all the requirements for the school to participate in that sport. All parts of the uniform issued must be worn. No Substitutions or Additions will be tolerated. If it is issued it must be worn.

Uniforms must be returned cleaned and in good condition. If a student does not return the uniform, he/she will not be able to join another team or receive their report cards or diploma until the uniform is returned. Keep track of your belongings. It is extremely difficult to replace lost uniforms so that they match the rest of the team. If a uniform cannot be located, the student-athlete must reimburse the school for the cost to replace it. This cost will be determined by the Athletic Director.

Hazing:

No students are to participate in any form of initiation or ritualizing type activities that might be considered physically, mentally, and/or socially degrading, abusive or offensive to themselves or others and might be considered hazing.

Suspension:

Students may be suspended from the team for a specified amount of time or indefinitely, based on their academic and/or disciplinary record. The Head of School, Student Advisor and Athletic Director will monitor the student’s progress. The following violations will not be tolerated and are subject to immediate expulsion from Oak Hill Academy:

- Possession or use of either alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs at school or during any school-sponsored events or activities.
- Smoking in any part of the school building, on the grounds, on buses, or at any school-sponsored events or activities is prohibited.

All disciplinary action will be under the discretion of the Head of School.

Expectations and Personal Conduct:

Sportsmanship is the key! Participation in athletics is a privilege and not a right. Committed to being a student-athlete through abiding by the rules both on and off the field and attending all practices and contests while continuing to excel in the classroom. You must contact a member of the Athletic Department staff if you cannot attend a contest or a practice. You or your parent must contact the coach if you are going to take private transportation to and/or from contests, games, meets, etc. Proper conduct must be shown in school, on transportation vehicles, at home and on the playing field, court, pool or arena. Respect should be shown to all coaches, teachers, parents, officials and peers. You are representing yourself, your parents and your school. Show good sportsmanship towards teammates, coaches, opponents, officials and spectators at all times. You must be in school. Get into the habit of being on time for school and for practice. You must spend time doing homework, studying and whatever else you need to do to prepare for school.

Think like a winner . . . act like a winner . . . and sooner than you think . . . you **will** be a winner.

Be proud to be a member of an Oak Hill Academy Athletic team.

I have read and agree to comply with the Oak Hill Academy Athletic Code of Conduct.

Athlete’s Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Sport(s): _____

Date: _____