# **LPISD Junior High Athletic Commitment Contract**

Dear Parents/Guardians and Athletes,

We are giving you this information to help you better understand the expectations for athletes in the LPISD Junior High Athletic Programs. As members of the program, each athlete will be expected to adhere to the following guidelines:

## All Athletes are encouraged to be Multi-Sport Athletes

- Any athlete placed in Junior High Athletics is encouraged to do a Fall, Winter, and Spring sport.
- o If an athlete fails to compete in 3 sports, they will NOT be enrolled in athletics the following year.
- Submit a completed physical (Dated after April 1, 2018) and La Porte ISD Packet online through RankOne by the first day of school.
  - If physical & RankOne are not complete by August 17<sup>th</sup>, you will be removed from Athletics.

## No Pass, No Play, No Exceptions

- It is the athlete's responsibility to attend tutorials if they are having difficulty in class or in danger of failing.
- o Tutorials and re-tests need to be scheduled outside of practice and the athletic period.
- Failing two consecutive 6 week grading periods could result in the removal from athletics.

# o Absence from Athletics/Practice

- Notify a coach prior to athletes' absence.
- o Missing more than 1 practice in a week could result in loss of participating in game.

### Appropriate Dress

o Dress out EVERY DAY, even if sick/injured, in school issued shorts/shirt.

### Parent/Doctor's/Trainer Notes

Parent notes restricting athletes' activities should be limited and are only good for a maximum of <u>one day</u>. After one day, a note from a doctor or trainer will be required indicating the injury and anticipated down time. If after one day we do not have a doctor's note, the athlete will be expected to practice. Athletes are still required to dress out even if they have a parent/doctor's note, and <u>will be expected to participate in activities that do not affect the injury.</u>

#### Locker Room

- Athletes are responsible for their belongings and for keeping locker room clean.
- LOCK YOUR LOCKERS, La Porte ISD coaches will not be responsible for lost or stolen items.

# Issued Equipment

- o Issued equipment should be returned in good condition or athlete will pay an appropriate fine to replace it.
- Athletes will pay 20\$ for Shorts/Shirt at beginning of school year and are responsible for keeping up with them.

#### Behavior

- o Athletes are expected to set an example with sportsmanship when participating.
- Poor sportsmanship towards coaches, teammates, spectators, opposing team/coaches, or game officials will NOT be tolerated.
- Hazing/Fighting/Bullying or any physical harm or property damage of another student may result in removal from the athletic program.
- Concerns: Any concerns or problems the athlete has should be addressed in following order:
  - Athlete to Coach
  - Athlete and Parent/Guardian to Coach
  - Athlete and Parent/Guardian to Coach and Campus Athletic Coordinator
- Discipline/Attitude/Behavior Problems in Athletics, the Classroom, School Functions, and/or Violation to Items listed above in this Contract COULD result in One or More of the Following:
  - Athletes will be held accountable for behavior.
  - o If problems from the athlete persist, they could be removed from athletics with a schedule change.
  - Athletes should NOT be doing anything detrimental to the team or the LPISD Athletic Program.
  - o If an athlete is assigned ISS on game day, they will be suspended from that game.
  - o If an athlete is assigned ISS three times during the year, they could be removed from athletics.

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I am COMMITTED to the La Porte ISD Junior High Athletic Program and my teammates. I am COMITTED to being the best athlete and person I can be. I am COMMITTED to always displaying good sportsmanship, win or lose, on or off the playing field. I accept any and all consequences should I violate any commitment or expectation, or do anything that is detrimental to the team, myself, or the athletic program.

- ✓ I have read and agree to the contract set forth by the LPISD Junior High Athletic Program.
- ✓ Please sign and return to the appropriate Junior High Coaching Staff.
- ✓ MUST be signed by Parent/Guardian and Athlete.

Athlete Name (Printed):		
Athlete Signature:	Date:	
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:	