

7 th & 8th Grade Dutcher Athletics Contract

**Requirements for Athletic Participation** - Registration to participate in athletics must be complete for a student to be allowed to participate in a sport.

- **Physicals are required:** a physician must complete the **Dutcher Middle School Sports Physical Form**
- Students **must** be covered by medical insurance. Students who are not insured can obtain insurance information at the school office.

- **Academic Requirement** - Team members are students' first, athletes second. 2.0 grade point average and no more than one 'F' from the previous grading period. Each coach may implement their own grade check policy, which will be communicated to team members and parents. Students and parents are encouraged to regularly monitor grades on Aeries Parent Portal.

- **Suspensions-** Any student who has been suspended a total of three (3) days during the first and second quarters may not attend or participate in any second quarter extracurricular activities. Any student who has been suspended more than five (5 per year) total days may not attend or participate in any extra-curricular activities

- **School Attendance Requirement** • Must attend 4 or more class periods on the day of tryouts or performances to participate. • Must fulfill all outstanding disciplinary action, i.e., detention, work detail, etc., in order to participate in school activities. If you do not participate in P.E. during the school day, **You are not allowed** to participate in practice and /or games. This will be up to the Athletic Director/Coaches discretion.

**Practice Attendance Requirements** - All players are expected to attend all practices, games, and tournaments to each of their conclusion. A few contests and tournaments are on Saturdays and are mandatory to attend. Each player will receive a calendar with practice and game times. Practice and game times are subject to change. In the event that a practice or game time is moved, players will receive notice as early as possible. Each player is responsible for arranging transportation to and from all practices. There are no excuses for being late or missing practice.

- **In the event of an unforeseen absence or tardy, the HEAD COACH must be notified prior to the scheduled practice or game.** If you are unable to personally meet with the Head Coach, a call or text is required. (Messages are not to be sent with another team member.) **If the absence is not cleared before the practice, it will be considered not excused.**

- **Excused absences-** will be for the following reasons only: Physical illness, Family Emergencies, & School Activities. Students that are excused from a practice will play at coaches discretion.

- Any player that has an **unexcused absence** prior to a game/competition, will not play in the next scheduled game. Unexcused absences may lead to removal from the team.

- **Two unexcused practices may result in the student being removed from the team.**

- Parents must be prompt in picking up their children from practice. Repeated late pickups may result in student being removed from the activity.

**Transportation Forms-** You **Must** have a transportation form on file with the name(s) of the qualifying adult on the form to be eligible to leave **away games** early. You **Must** be signed out at the end of the game by a qualifying adult that is listed on the transportation form prior to leaving the premises. If you **are not** signed out by the qualifying adult and you leave the premises, **you will not play in the following game(s)**. This is up to the Athletic Director/Coaches discretion. No exceptions!

**Playing time: Playing time is determined by the coach. Parents and athletes must understand that playing time depends on game situation and practice attendance. This is many students' first experience in the rigorous nature of competitive sports, playing time is not guaranteed or equal.**

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Player Signature \_\_\_\_\_