

# **Great Neck North High School**

Department of Physical Education & Athletics 35 Polo Road, Great Neck, New York 11023

## **Athlete Code of Conduct**

We are proud of our athletes, our athletic program and the way in which our student athletes represent Great Neck North and the Great Neck community. Our students and our coaches work very hard to build competitive teams. The success of our teams is a collaborative effort, and all of us need to represent ourselves and our athletic community in a positive manner by behaving appropriately in school, at games and in the community as a whole, both during school and after school hours.

Athletic participation is a privilege that should not be taken lightly. All of our athletes are expected to behave in manner that positively impacts our school and our community.

#### Alcohol, Tobacco and Substance Abuse

The use of illicit drugs, alcohol consumption and smoking has no place in athletics and is strictly prohibited. As an athlete you will abstain from the use of alcohol, marijuana, and any other illegal drugs. We have a zero tolerance policy and your presence or participation in any activity that involves drugs and/or alcohol is a violation of this contract.

### **Hazing and Bullying**

Hazing and bullying are forms of harassment and should not be condoned by athletes, coaches, staff and, especially team members. Hazing is any intentional or reckless act directed against another for the purpose of initiation into, affiliating with or maintaining membership in any activity, organization or team. This includes acting responsibly "online" and not misusing the internet to negatively impact our school climate or anyone else including teammates or opponents from opposing schools.

#### **Attendance at Practice and Contests**

Athletes are expected to attend all practices and contests that have been scheduled by your coach. If an athlete is going to be absent for any reason, they must discuss it with their coach prior to the absence if possible.

**Excused Absences:** Serious Family Emergency, Death within the family, Immediate Family Wedding, Legal absence from school (documentation within 24 hours), Religious Obligation. Other reasons must be discussed and approved by the coach after consultation with the athletic director.

<u>Unexcused Absences:</u> Detention or Suspension from school, Drivers Education, Vacations, Weddings outside of the immediate family, Concerts/Shows not related to school, doctor/dentist appointments, private tutors and, any other incident where a student arrives >30 minutes late to practice. Other reasons must be discussed and approved by the coach after consultation with the athletic director.

If a student has two unexcused absence they will have a disciplinary hearing with their coach and the athletic director. Upon a 3<sup>rd</sup> unexcused absence an athlete will be removed from their team.

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