Hanby Middle School
Athletic Code of Conduct

School District #6 believes that the opportunity for participation in interscholastic athletics is a privilege extended to students. Students involved with athletics are to be responsible representatives of their school and community. The impression each student leaves on others has a direct effect upon your school, fellow students, and School District 6.

- Prior to participation in athletics, the student and parent(s)/guardian(s) will be required to sign and return this form with the assurance that they have read and understand the Athletic Code of Conduct.
- All students representing Hanby must comply with the standards of conduct listed herein. This policy is a minimum conduct standard. Coaches may add other expectations specific to their sport, but the following are rules that all participants are expected to follow.

BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS OF STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN ATHLETICS

Any student whose behavior reflects negatively on an individual student, the team, or school is prohibited. Individuals involved will be subject to disciplinary action. This decision lies with an administrator and the head coach.

TRANSPORTATION:

To be eligible to participate, an athlete must travel to and from contest in transportation provided/approved by the school. An athlete must return home with the team unless prior arrangements have been made in writing to the coach. Written requests may only be accepted from the parents or legal guardian of the student. Upon verified written requests, athletes may be granted permission to ride home with adult relatives or another athlete's parents. Any exception must be cleared with the coach and/or athletic director before the scheduled trip.

ACADEMICS:

Athletes who have an F in a class when progress reports are run for the athletic season, will be suspended for the next game/event. Coaches will inform athletes when the progress reports will be run. Student athletes are responsible for keeping their grades at a passing level.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:

In order to be eligible, the student athlete must attend 3 classes (lunch is not considered a class) on the day of a contest or practice in order to participate. Any absences must be pre-approved through the attendance office (e.g. a doctor or dentist appt, etc.)

PRACTICE/GAME ATTENDANCE:

If an athlete is going to miss a practice or a game, they must notify the coach or office **prior** to the absence. An unexcused absence from a practice or a game will result in disciplinary action, possibly dismissal from the team. Excused absences may result in loss of playing time during the next athletic event.

INSURANCE/PHYSICAL:

A student athlete must have the emergency/insurance form and a current physical form on file in the athletic office.

ATHLETIC EQUIPMENT AND CLOTHING:

The athlete is responsible for equipment and clothing checked out to him/her. Clothing and equipment are to be used only in the manner prescribed by the coach and is to be returned in a clean and usable condition. Students will be billed for equipment and clothing not returned at the end of the sports season. Athletic clothing issued by the school is not to be worn outside of the sport for which it is issued.

PARTICIPATION:

In order that the Middle School athletic programs serve the athletes during the season, and also best prepare them for potential in High School, the program's focus is on skill development, knowledge of the activity, basic strategies, and the rules of the sport. This opportunity to join a team does not guarantee equal playing time; however, all athletes who adhere to the coach's training guidelines will participate in competitions.

I have read the Athletic Code of Conduct related to eligibility for Hanby Middle School. I do understand and will follow the rules, regulations, and expectations described within. This contract will be honored yearly from the signature date.

_____ **Date**_____ **Print Name**_____

Parent/Guardian Signature

_____ **Date**_____ **Print Name**_____

Student Signature