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## BUCKEYE VALLEY

# ACTIVITY HANDBOOK

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## **ABBREVIATIONS THROUGHOUT HANDBOOK**

OHSAA = Ohio High School Athletic Association

CBL= Central Buckeye League

AD = Athletic Director

BV or BVHS = Buckeye Valley High School (Local Schools)

## **Buckeye Valley Local School Activity Mission Statement**

The activity program should provide a variety of experiences to aid in the development of favorable habits and attitudes in students that will prepare them for adult life.

The interscholastic athletic/activity programs shall be conducted in accordance with existing Board of Education policies, rules and regulations. At all times the interscholastic athletic/activity programs must be conducted in such a way so as to justify it as an educational activity.

**The same attendance and academic eligibility requirements for interscholastic athletics shall apply to all Buckeye Valley extra-curricular activities involving performances and/or competitions (i.e., marching band, theater, Visions, In-the-Know, Mock Trials, etc.)**

## **Activity / Athletics Objectives**

The students shall learn teamwork, self-discipline, respect for authority, and the spirit of hard work and sacrifice. Students must place the team and its objectives higher than personal desires.

## **Responsibilities of a Buckeye Valley Student Participant**

Being a student on a Buckeye Valley activity team carries a specific set of responsibilities.

- **Tradition/ Reputation** - Students have inherited a tradition to win with honor and are challenged to uphold it. Students will represent their school as well as themselves when wearing Brown and Gold. Compete to the best of their ability.
- **Character** - Broaden yourself and develop strength of character. Gain the greatest possible good from school experiences in preparing for adult life.
- **Leadership** - Students are under a spotlight. Communities judge our school by our conduct and attitudes, on and off the field. This is a way to contribute to school spirit and community pride.
- **Home / Community** - Students represent their families, parent(s)/guardian(s). Do not do anything that would make your parent(s)/ guardian(s) ashamed. Set good examples for younger athletes.

## **Sportsmanship**

The OHSAA, CBL, and athletic department believe in basic sportsmanship principles.

Students should:

- Believe participation is more important than winning.
- Participate to their best ability with honor.
- Display respect for students and their schools.
- Display respect for officials.
- Respect the rules and conform to the spirit as well as the letter of the rules.
- Strive to maintain self-control.
- Accept the responsibility and privilege of representing the school and community.

## **Responsibilities of Parent(s)/Guardian(s) (Spectators)**

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Expectations

- A. Parent(s)/Guardian(s) will communicate openly and freely with coaches and administrators.
- Parent(s)/Guardian(s) will communicate with respect.

- Parent(s)/Guardian(s) will be honest.
- Parent(s)/Guardian(s) will communicate issues and concerns in a timely manner, including those of the student's physical and emotional well-being.
- Parent(s)/Guardian(s) will follow an appropriate chain of command:
  - Parent(s)/Guardian(s) – Position Coach or Head Coach of the level of play (7th, 8th, Freshman, Junior Varsity, Varsity) - **24 Hours Rule**
  - Parent(s)/Guardian(s) – Head Coach of the program
  - Parent(s)/Guardian(s) – Athletic Administrator
  - Parent(s)/Guardian(s) – Principal / Assistant Principal of the specific school (MS or HS)
  - Parent(s)/Guardian(s) - Superintendent or designee
 Student participation is encouraged at all levels
- Parent(s)/Guardian(s) are required to attend meetings and read all information disseminated by coaches/advisors and the athletic department.
- Playing time is not guaranteed by paying the participation fee and may only be discussed with the coaches/advisor.

B. Parent(s)/Guardian(s) will display good sportsmanship and behavior at the venue, in the community, and on social media by doing the following:

- Understand the game is for the students, not the adults
- Recognize that student participation is a privilege
- Displaying good sportsmanship as a spectator and conducting yourself in a manner that reflects positively on both the team and school
- Promoting the team by being supportive and positive when helping the program
- Respecting the officials, opponents, coaches/advisors, and players
- Refraining from coaching from the stands
- Understanding that the student has an obligation to attend all practice and games

C. Parent(s)/Guardian(s) will create a positive and supportive environment to promote your student's well-being by:

- Supporting good conditioning and a healthy lifestyle
- Placing the emotional and physical well-being of your student ahead of any personal desire to win
- Expecting your student to play in a healthy and safe environment
- Supporting your student to be successful in the classroom given the demands of training and practices
- Being a role model for other parent(s)/guardian(s) by remaining positive at sporting events
- Getting involved and staying involved in a positive manner as you support your student is critical to the success of the team/activity (i.e., concessions, game support, fundraisers, banquets)

D. Failure to follow the standards and expectations of Buckeye Valley Local School District may cause you to forfeit your right to support your student and the team.

E. Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Consequences for Unsporting Conduct

- **First Offense:** Any fan ejected or disqualified (by a game official, school official/administrator, or law enforcement) from an interscholastic contest for unsporting conduct shall be suspended from all contests for the remainder of that day. In addition, the fan shall be suspended from attending contests at all levels in that sport until two regular season/tournament contests (one in football) are played at the same level as the ejection. In addition, the fan shall take the National Federation of State High School Association's "The Parent Seat" course, which must be completed before returning to events and can be taken at [www.nfhslearn.com](http://www.nfhslearn.com). A letter will be sent by the Administrator to the spectator in question, notifying them of the ejection and the dates of their suspension. If the ejection or disqualification occurs in the last contest of the season, the fan shall be ineligible for the same period in the student-athlete's next sport of participation. On the day of the ejection, a fan who has been disqualified shall be ejected from the vicinity of the playing area and is prohibited from further contact, direct or indirect, with team members, managers, coaches, and contest officials during the remainder of the contest. No refund will be given.
- **Second Offense:** A fan who is ejected or disqualified a second time shall be suspended for the remainder of that season of that activity. A fan who has been ejected or disqualified for unsporting conduct for the second time in the season during the last contest shall be ineligible for a period of time/number of contests subject to the discretion of the Administrator. In addition, the fan shall take the National Federation of State High School Association's "Positive Parenting within School Programs" course, which must be completed before returning to the event and can be taken at [www.nfhslearn.com](http://www.nfhslearn.com). A letter will be sent by the Superintendent / Designee to the spectator in question, notifying them of the ejection and the dates of their suspension.
- **Third Offense:** A fan who is ejected or disqualified a third time shall be suspended from all athletic contests for one calendar year from the date of the ejection. A letter will be sent by the Superintendent / Designee notifying the spectator of the ejection.

### **Examples of Appropriate Behavior**

- Demonstrate the fundamentals of sportsmanship.
- Accept both victory and defeat with pride and compassion.
- Practice positive cheers and encourage our own team without demeaning the opponent.
- Never attempt to distract opposing players or interfere with performance.
- Exercise self-control. Never argue or make gestures.

### **Examples of Inappropriate Behavior (not limited to)**

- Use of profanity.
- Berating officials, players, coaches, or spectators, including signs, chants, or cheers.
- Inciting other spectators or players to inappropriate behavior.
- Theft / Damage / Destruction of school property.
- Interruption of contests, including throwing objects on the playing area, entering the playing area, or other disruptive behavior.

### **Possible Consequences**

- Conference/hearing with school officials.
- Possible suspension/termination as participant or coach.
- Removal from contest/premises.
- Restitution.

### **Ejection of Coaches or Participants from Athletic Contests**

By adoption of the Ohio High School Athletic Association, any coach or participant ejected from a contest shall be suspended from participation for the remainder of that day as well as the next two contests (one in football). If the ejection occurs in the last contest of the season, then the suspension will carry over into the next sport in which the offender participates. In accordance with OHSAA bylaws 12 and 8.3.1, further, more progressive consequences will be administered for further violations. This can include permanent suspension or termination.

### **Buckeye Valley Activities: Alcohol, Tobacco, Illegal Drugs, and Similar Substances Policy**

The Board of Education, administration, and coaches/advisors at Buckeye Valley are concerned with the health and safety of our students. Buckeye Valley will not support the use of or distribution of illegal drugs (including prescription medicine not used for its intended purpose), alcohol, tobacco, or similar substances by our students. Similar substances are any substance that mimics an illegal substance, and this includes but is not limited to vapor/E cigarettes, synthetic drugs, nicotine gum/patches, etc. **Students are prohibited from the use or possession of these products year-round in or out of season. The penalties for violating the Buckeye Valley Alcohol, Tobacco, Illegal Drugs, and Similar Substances Policy are as follows:**

**Self-Referral:** Self-Referral applies to drug and alcohol use violations only and carries no penalty. A self-referral may be used only once in a student's career. A self-referral means the student would admit guilt to a school official prior to the beginning of any investigation of the student's possible violation.

**1<sup>st</sup> offense:** Denied participation from the activity for 20% of the season in which the violation is discovered or next season if the violation is discovered while the student is not in a sport, and student will be required to complete an education program pending approval of the Principal or Athletic Director.

**2<sup>nd</sup> offense:** Denied participation from activity for the remainder of the academic year in which the 2<sup>nd</sup> violation is discovered. The student may have this reduced to 50% of the season if he/she enters into a treatment program to address their particular addiction, pending approval of the Principal or Athletic Director.

**3<sup>rd</sup> offense:** Denied participation from activity for the remainder of the student's high school career.

### **Athletic/Activities Code of Conduct**

Students are expected to display proper behavior at all times. This includes the classroom (academics come first) and on and off the playing field. There are consequences for students who display inappropriate behavior. Consequences will be progressive as poor behavior continues. The policies governing the Athletic/Activities Code of Conduct are in effect year-round. This begins with student's fall activities or the first day of school whichever comes first. This ends with the student's last day of school or upon the completion of the student's spring activities, whichever comes last. The following matrix shows the progression. The following matrix is not intended to be all inclusive. The administration reserves the right to rule on any conduct or situation that is not specifically covered below.

<b>Behavior</b>	<b>Consequence</b>
<b>School Discipline Referral</b> (Any referral to office for a school rule violation)	To be determined by either the coach/advisor or Administration
<b>Truancy</b>	To be determined by either the coach/advisor or Administration
<b>On the Field</b>	Any penalty imposed by official Any penalty imposed by coach/advisor
<b>Off the Field</b> (More serious violations and acts that tarnish the reputation of the school or athletic programs)	Coach/Advisor and the administrator shall determine the penalty up to permanent denial of participation.

### **Requirements for Participation**

Eligibility to participate begins when all the following items have been completed:

- Student responsibility acknowledgment and pledge form on file, signed by parent(s)/guardian(s) and students.
- Physical examination completed and cards on file in the athletic trainer's office.
- Uniform and any other fees paid.
- Complete Final Forms.
- All academic eligibility requirements have been satisfied.
- Attend a rules meeting accompanied by parent(s)/guardian(s)

### **Scholastic Eligibility Requirements**

All students are required to meet eligibility standards in order to participate in interscholastic athletics.

### **Eligibility - Academic Requirements**

All students are required to meet each of the following eligibility standards in order to participate in interscholastic athletics or activities at BVHS. In regards to athletic lettering and receiving athletic or activity awards from BVHS, a student must complete the season in good standing.

#### **Ohio High School Athletic Association Standards**

Academic eligibility rules are set by the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) and by the Buckeye Valley Local School District. Current eligibility rules are:

- 1) A student in grades 9, 10, 11, and 12 must have received passing grades in five (5) credits (not including any Physical Education courses) during the preceding grading period
- 2) Summer school grades earned may not be used to substitute for failing grades from the last grading period of the regular school year.

#### **Buckeye Valley High School Standards**

The minimum 9-week grade point average (GPA) for students is 2.0. If a student falls below a 2.0 GPA, they will be denied the privilege of participating for the current 9-week period. Each student is allowed one (1) appeal to the Athletic Director per academic year and 2 total appeals during their high school career in the case of a deficient GPA. This appeal will be effective for one (1) nine-week grading period. Failure to follow any of the guidelines set forth in the plan will result in immediate removal from academic appeal and will eliminate any future academic

appeal plans for the remainder of the school year. The student must be passing all subjects and have a 2.0 or better GPA when grades are averaged by the administrator. If the GPA is below 2.0, the student is ineligible until a 2.0 GPA has been achieved.

## **E-School Courses**

Full Year Courses: Students who are enrolled in E-Schools must make adequate progress in their E-School courses during each grading period. Progress on such courses must align with the grading periods of Buckeye Valley High School. For example, for an E-School course that is valued at 1 credit, the student must complete at least 25% of the course with passing grades during the 1st grading period, 50% of the course with passing grades by the end of the 2nd grading period, 75% of the course with passing grades by the end of the 3rd grading period and 100% of the course with passing grades by the end of the 4th grading period.

Semester-Based Courses: Students who are enrolled in E-School semester-long courses must make adequate progress in their courses. Progress on such courses must align with the grading periods of Buckeye Valley High School. E-School courses that are valued at .5 credit must complete at least 50% of the course with a passing grade at the change of the quarter and 100% complete with a passing grade at the end of the semester.

It is the responsibility of students who are enrolled in an E-School but are eligible for participation in Buckeye Valley Athletics/Activities to submit official grades to the Athletic Director after each Buckeye Valley High School quarter. Those who do not submit their official grades will be deemed ineligible for the remainder of the subsequent quarter. Athletes should review the official Buckeye Valley School calendar for quarter dates.

Students who are enrolled in an E-School must meet all Buckeye Valley Local Schools eligibility requirements, including passage of 5 credits, and maintain a 2.0 GPA.

## **Individualized Education Plan (IEP)**

If students have an IEP on file at the time of declared ineligibility due to GPA (Grade Point Average), their case shall automatically be reviewed. The principal, athletic director, the student's guidance counselor, and the student's special education teacher shall conduct the review. The review committee can waive the eligibility requirement if, in their opinion, the student has made every effort to meet the standard, but must pass 5 classes.

## **Other Requirements**

### **Age Limitation**

- Students age 20 prior to August 1 shall be ineligible to participate in athletics. Students age 14 prior to August 1 shall be eligible to participate in high school athletics. School records shall be final in determining age.

### **Residence Requirements**

- An athlete's parent(s)/guardian(s) **must** live in the school district. One exception is open enrollment. Questions on residence requirements should be referred to the Athletic Director or Principal.



### **Transfers**

- Transfers from other schools (public or private) without change in residence shall make the student ineligible for ½ of a season. Any questions regarding eligibility, please make an appointment to see the Athletic Director to review the OHSAA transfer policy.

### **Attendance**

- A student must attend school at least half of the day to be eligible to participate in a contest, practice or activity that day. The Principal or Athletic Director may make exceptions prior to the student missing school. A student missing school on Friday or any day prior to a vacation day is still eligible on the following day.
- A student on out-of-school suspension cannot play or practice during the suspension.

### **Dress Policy**

- The following dress policies will be adhered to by team members:
  - Participants shall dress appropriately at all times.
  - Only uniforms issued by the school will be worn at contests.

### **Individual Activity Rule**

- Coaches/advisors may establish additional rules and regulations for their respective activities. Penalties will be designated/handled by the coaches/advisors. Students and parent(s)/guardian(s) will be informed in writing before the season.

## **ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT POLICIES**

### **Procedure to Resolve Parent/Coach Disagreements**

Whenever a complaint is made directly to the Board as a whole, a Board member as an individual, the Superintendent, Principal, or other administrator, it will be referred to the appropriate building administrator. A coach who is the object of a complaint will be informed promptly.

**Step 1 - Direct Conversation:** If a parent (complainant) has a disagreement or misunderstanding with a coach, the complainant should address the concern to the specific coach directly involved with the circumstances surrounding the concern. The coach will meet with the parent as soon as possible, but in no case longer than five calendar days after the coach has been notified of the concern (subject to change by mutual agreement).

**Step 2 - Fact and Possible Resolution:** If the complainant or the coach is not satisfied with the outcome of Step No. 1, or the complainant or coach is unwilling to meet independent of an administrator, a meeting with the coach, middle school athletic manager, or high school athletic director and complainant will be arranged at a mutually convenient time, but in no case more than five calendar days after the meeting in Step No. 1. This step is to be informal and verbal. No further action will be taken beyond Step No. 2 unless the complainant submits in writing a signed and dated statement of facts giving rise to this concern, the name of the coach involved and the remedy sought.

**Step 3 - Formal Process:** If a complaint's concern is not resolved or satisfactory at Step No. 1 or 2, the complainant should then refer this concern to the principal in writing. At that time another meeting will be arranged at the convenience of the complainant and coach directly concerned, but in no case more than ten calendar days (subject to change by mutual agreement). The coach has the right to be at all meetings with or without a representative as he/she so determines.

**Dispositions at Step 3** will be sent in writing to all parties within ten calendar days of the meeting with reasons stated.

**Step 4 - Decision:** The decision of the Principal is final.

### **Dropping or Transferring Activities**

Students who quit activities may lose the privilege of participating. If there is good reason to quit a sport, then students should:

- Talk to the immediate school coach/advisor.
- Report your situation to the Athletic Director.
- Check in all equipment issued.

Students wishing to change activities during a season must:

- Receive approval of both coaches (Cannot recruit from other teams)
- Receive approval of the Athletic Director

Failure to follow this procedure can result in loss of privileges.

### **Financial Obligations and Equipment**

#### **Uniforms**

In several activities, the student may be required to purchase a portion of the uniform. Any item purchased will become the student's property.

#### **Equipment**

All students are responsible for the proper care and security of equipment issued to them. All equipment not returned in good condition at the end of the season will be subject to a financial penalty.

- All equipment issued to students will be worn only at practice or scheduled events involving that specific activity. The coach/advisor must approve exceptions.
- Before any item is attached, added to, removed from, or worn with a uniform, the student must secure permission from the coach/advisor.
- Students are responsible for all issued equipment. It must be kept clean and in good condition. Buckeye Valley is not responsible for lost or stolen items. Students should use locks on lockers.
- All equipment is the property of the Board of Education and the school. School equipment may not be taken from the school building for personal use or other organizations. The coach/advisor must approve exceptions.
- All equipment issued to students must be returned at the end of the season. Missing or damaged equipment must be reimbursed at replacement cost within one week of the last contest. A student will be denied the right to participate in activities until equipment is accounted for.

#### **Missing Practices**

A student should consult his coach/ advisor **before** missing practice.

#### **Vacations Policy**

Vacations by students during a season are extremely discouraged. When an absence due to a vacation is unavoidable, a student must:

- Contact the head coach/advisor **prior** to the vacation.
- Be willing to assume the consequences related to their status on the squad as a starter, 2nd string, etc.

#### **Transportation**

- Classroom time missed will be kept to a minimum. All coaches/advisors and students will be excused at a specific time to travel to away contests. No team will be excused from class for any other reason unless approved by the principal.
- Students must travel to and from an event on the bus when provided. The only exception will be if the student gives the coach a completed transportation release form signed by the parent(s)/guardian(s).
- Students are responsible to see that the bus is clean after returning from an event.

- Students on any trip are under school jurisdiction from the time they enter school property until they leave school property after returning from the trip or until released to their parent(s)/guardian(s). Students on a team staying overnight are considered under school jurisdiction until returning to school and are liable for any rule violation during that time.
- Occasionally a team or group is asked to travel by car to an away contest or practice site. At an away contest, all vehicles are to go in caravans under the direction of the coach. Students are under school jurisdiction until all vehicles return to the point of origin. After a practice or home contest, students are released from school jurisdiction when leaving the site.

### **College Recruitment Policy**

In the event an athlete should be contacted personally by a college recruiter, he has an obligation to work through his coach and the athletic department. Inform your coach as soon as possible. College recruitment information is available in the guidance office.

### **Conflicts in Extra-Curricular Activities**

An individual student who attempts to participate in too many extracurricular activities will be in a position of conflicting obligations.

The school shall recognize that each student should have the opportunity for a broad range of experiences in the area of interscholastic activities. The school will attempt to schedule events in a manner to minimize conflicts.

Students have a responsibility to do everything they can to avoid continuous conflict, including belonging to too many activities. Students should notify coaches/advisors immediately when conflicts arise. Coaches/advisors will meet to work out solutions. If there is not a solution then the Principal will make the decision based on the following:

- The relative importance of each event.
- The relative contribution the student can make.
- How long each event has been scheduled.
- Talk with parent(s)/guardian(s)

### **Parental Permission and Physical Examination**

Activity participation forms for all participants shall be signed by a physician, the student, and the parent(s)/guardian(s). This must be on file in the athletic trainer's office before athletes may practice each year.

### **Risk of Participation**

All students, participants, and parent(s)/guardian(s) must realize the risk of serious injury, permanent disability, or death as a result of participation. The school district will use the following safeguards:

- Maintain a continuing education program for coaches to learn the most up to date techniques and skills in their sport.
- Instruct all participants about the dangers of participation in specific activities.

### **Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Acknowledgment of Athletic/Activity Policies**

Each parent(s)/guardian(s) shall read all the enclosed material and certify that they understand the eligibility rules and policies. This signed document will be filed in Final Forms.

## **Insurance**

Athletes must have accident insurance, either school insurance or a parental policy. An insurance waiver form indicating adequate insurance must be completed and on file prior to participation in Final Forms.

The OHSAA has lifetime catastrophic insurance, which covers athletes involved in sponsored events.

## **Awards**

### **Athletic Letter**

An athlete earns a "BV" letter by athletic ability. It is not to be unattainable, so that only outstanding athletes earn it. The coach will determine who receives a letter with the following guidelines:

- The coach will provide criteria to participants and parent(s)/guardian(s) prior to the first contest. The Athletic Director is to approve it.
- Seniors who have played all four years will receive a letter.
- Coaches can award injured athletes a letter if he feels the athlete would have lettered. The athlete must remain part of the team. The athlete must attend all practices/games if medically possible.
- Coaches may award varsity managers a letter.
- Coaches may award statisticians a letter if they worked for three years.
- For lettering and point awards, fall and winter cheerleading will be considered separate sports.

### **Wearing of Awards**

Awards should be worn or displayed with dignity and class. Athletes are to behave appropriately while wearing awards. Any action that detracts from a positive image will result in denial of awards for any future participation.

## **Awards System**

### **Season Awards**

- Each Participant – certificate
- Junior Varsity – certificate
- First Varsity Letter – Chenille BV Numerals included.
- First Letter in Each Sport – metal insert
- Second, Third, and Fourth Letter in Same Sport – Service bar
- Captain of Varsity Team – Captain pin
- Statistician – Stat Pin

Each sport is allowed, but not required, to give a Most Valuable Player, Most Improved Player, and Baron Award. Coaches may specialize these awards pending approval of the Athletic Director. An example is Most Valuable Runner. The coach will determine the selection process. These awards will be given at the sports banquets. Any coach wishing to give more than these three awards must pick up the expense and have it approved by the Athletic Director.

Any student who manages satisfactorily for the entire sports season is entitled to the appropriate awards for that sport.

### **Honeter Trophy**

This award was named after one of our early Board of Education members, Lyle Honeter. He provided outstanding support to the athletic program. The teaching staff rates the nominees (3.2 GPA and

higher) in six areas: Athletic Ability, Competitive Spirit, Citizenship, Sportsmanship, Leadership, and Scholarship. A plaque is awarded to a senior female athlete, and their name is added to the trophy.

**Hardin Trophy**

This award was named after one of our early Board of Education members, Ralph Hardin. He provided outstanding support to the athletic program. The teaching staff rates the nominees (3.2 GPA and higher) in six areas: Athletic Ability, Competitive Spirit, Citizenship, Sportsmanship, Leadership, and Scholarship. A plaque is awarded to a senior male athlete, and their name is added to the trophy.

**ACTIVITY/CLUBS**

At the discretion of the advisor, students will be recognized by each individual activity/club.



Buckeye Valley Athletics/Activities  
Academic Probation Request

Parents/Guardians,

You are receiving this letter because your child did not meet the minimum GPA requirements to participate in Athletics/Activities during \_\_\_\_\_.

The minimum 9-week GPA is a 2.0. If students fall below a 2.0 GPA, they will be allowed to use academic probation.

An Academic Probation will be granted a maximum of two (2) times in the high school, but no more than once in a given academic year. This probation will be effective for one (1) nine-week grading period. Failure to follow any of the guidelines outlined in the plan will result in immediate removal from academic probation and will eliminate any future academic probation plans for the remainder of the school year. Students on Academic Probation must provide weekly checks for progress towards eligibility. Students who do not display progress towards eligibility will be removed from the activity for which they are participating. The student must be passing all subjects and have a 2.0 or better GPA when grades are averaged by the Athletic Director or Principal. If the GPA is below 2.0, the student is ineligible until a 2.0 GPA has been achieved. Students should pick up this grade check sheet weekly. This must be completed to continue to be able to participate on a probationary period.

I understand the guidelines/options available to me and what is expected of me. If I do not meet them, I forfeit the Academic Probation Plan. Therefore, I am academically ineligible.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

As parent/guardian, I understand the guidelines/options available to my child and what is expected of them. If they do not meet them, they forfeit the Academic Probation Plan option. Therefore, your child will be academically ineligible.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Administrator Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Buckeye Valley High School**  
**Academic Probation Check Sheet**

Students on Academic Probation must provide weekly checks for progress towards eligibility. Students who do not display progress towards eligibility will be removed from the activity for which they are participating. The student must be passing all subjects and have a 2.0 or better GPA when grades are averaged by the Athletic Director. If the GPA is below 2.0, the student is ineligible until a 2.0 GPA has been achieved. Students should pick up this grade check sheet weekly. This must be completed in order to continue to be able to participate on a probationary period.

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Sport/Activity:** \_\_\_\_\_

During this **probation period** you may continue to practice and play.

**The grades circled should be the student's grade to this point.**

Class	Teacher Signature	Effort	Conduct	Current Class Grade	Comments
1		excellent average poor	excellent average poor	A B C D F	
2		excellent average poor	excellent average poor	A B C D F	
3		excellent average poor	excellent average poor	A B C D F	
4		excellent Average poor	excellent average poor	A B C D F	
5		excellent Average Poor	excellent average poor	A B C D F	
6		excellent Average Poor	excellent average poor	A B C D F	

**This document should be returned to Ms. Iden in the main office by the end of the day on Friday!**