

### **WELCOME!**

**Activities Informational Meeting 2024-2025** 

#### **Contact Information**

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# Agenda

- Eligibility/Paperwork
- Policies
- Coaches/AdvisorsExpectations
- Questions

# Eligibility/Paper Work

#### **Eligibility Checklist:**

- 1. Physical exam within the last three years on file with the school. Not applicable to non-athletic activities.
- 2. Have not and will not use or possess tobacco or alcoholic beverages, use, consume, have in possession, buy, sell or give away any other controlled substance.
- 3. Making academic progress (to remain eligible a student cannot be failing at any point during a grading period).
  - 4. All fees and forms turned into Mr.Schwieters.

#### Forms include:

- Registration Form
- Eligibility Statement
- Emergency Information and Contact Form
- School Medical Form
- Physical Form or Physician Written Clearance
- Code of Conduct Agreement (Activities Handbook)
- Fee



All forms and fees (or Delayed Payment/Scholarship Form) MUST be turned in to Mr. Schwieters prior to participating in practice or an event.

#### **Policies**

- As a student participating in an activity at STRIDE Academy, I understand and accept the following responsibilities:
  - □ I will respect the rights and beliefs of others and will treat others with courtesy and consideration.
  - □ I will be fully responsible for my actions and the consequences.
  - □ I will respect the property of others.
  - □ I will respect and obey the rules of my school and the laws of my community, state and country.
  - □ I will show respect to those who are responsible for enforcing the rules of my school and the laws of my community, state and country.

#### Goals

- To promote friendships, school spirit and team unity.
- To help participants develop sportsmanship, discipline, confidence, cooperation and positivity in the activity.
- To help participants develop the fundamental skills pertinent to the given activity.
- To provide the experience of using the skills learned in a competitive situation.

# Student Expectations

- Students will at all times represent themselves and STRIDE Academy with honor, proper conduct, and good sportsmanship.
- Students will be committed, dedicated, and determined.
- Students will be responsible members of the classroom and school community.
- Students will display a willingness to learn and develop the necessary skills.
- Students will be respectful of peers, coaches, advisors and officials.
- Students will abide by all rules set forth by STRIDE Academy and the leagues or events in which we participate in.

### Parent Expectations

- Parents will be supportive of their students and other members of the activity.
- Parents will respect the judgment and strategy of the coaches/advisors.
- Parents will respect the judgment and interpretations of the officials.
- Parents will follow the grievance procedure outlined in this handbook if conflicts arise.
- Parents will abide by all rules set forth by STRIDE Academy and the leagues in which we compete.

# Spectator Expectations

- Spectators will watch events from areas
  defined by the host facility as spectator areas.
- Spectators will adhere to the fundamentals of good sportsmanship and proper conduct.
- Spectators will not heckle or jeer participants or officials and will avoid inappropriate cheers and gestures.
- Spectators will abide by all rules set forth by STRIDE Academy and the leagues in which we compete.

# **Negative Behavior**

In addition to expectations related to sportsmanship, the misbehavior by any activity member that in any way reflects negatively on the school, team, or community will not be tolerated and may result in his or her suspension from the activity, at the sole discretion of the Activities Director, the Principals and or **Executive Director.** 

#### School and Activities

#### All Participants are students first!

- In order to participate in activities students must:
  - □ Be in good academic standing
    - No D's or F's
    - Students with D's or F's and/or missing assignments will use practice time to complete work. (Study table with Mr. Schwieters) This will be checked by the coach.
  - Have positive behavior during the school day
    - Activities Director will inform the coach/advisor regarding the ineligibility as well as when eligibility will be restored
  - Be present during the school day
    - must attend at least a half-day of school the day of the activity in order to be eligible to participate in that activity

#### Student Code of Responsibilities Penalties:

- Office Referrals (ORF)
- A student receiving an ORF will not be allowed to participate on that day. A student receiving an ORF is not allowed to participate for the first half of the next in season game.
- A student receiving two ORF's in one activity season will not be allowed to participate in the next in season game or event and will not participate on the day of receiving the ORF.
- A student receiving three or more ORF's in one activity season will miss one week of participation from the date of the incident.
- A student receiving four or more ORF's in a season will be dismissed from the activity.
- A student receiving an after school behavioral detention or lunch detention will miss one week of participation from the date of the incident.
- A student receiving academic detention will miss practice or an event for the day they serve the detention. They will not be allowed to go to practice or the event after the academic detention and must be picked up from school right after.
- A student receiving in school or out of school suspension will miss two weeks of participation from the date of the incident.
- School Administration and/or coaches, advisors can evaluate student fulfillment of the code of responsibilities. Ineligibility can be determined by both school administrators and coaches.

#### Attendance/Transportation/Insurance

- Attendance and participation at games/events and practices is mandatory.
  - Unexcused absences will result in reduced participation time.
  - Participants need to be picked up at least 15 minutes after the end of practice or event. The failure to do so on a regular basis will lead to removal from activity. Contact the coach or advisor!
- Responsibility for transportation to an away event lies with parents/guardians.
- All students must be insured by their own family insurance in order to participate. STRIDE Academy is not liable in the event of injury or harm during the duration of the activity.

# School Property

- Each student is responsible for the school equipment and uniform issued to him or her.
  - Replacement of uniform in the event of misplacing or mistreatment will be the sole responsibility of the students parent/guardian and will be under the discretion of the Activities Director.
- Both at home and at other facilities, participants should leave the gym, classroom or field in a clean condition.

#### Conflict Grievance Procedure

In order to allow for an expression of differences that sometimes occurs in activities, the following standardized and widely accepted grievance procedure will be used to address conflicts:

- The student and/or parent should request a meeting with the coach/advisor. This meeting should be at a time other than immediately before or after practices, events or games. This meeting is strictly between the student, parent and coach/advisor.
- If the conflict is not resolved in the first step, the parent, student and coach/advisor should then meet with the Activities Director.
- If the conflict is still not resolved, the parents may then request a meeting with the Principal and or Executive Director.

These steps must be followed in this specific sequence.

# Coaches/Advisors Expectations

# Questions?



Signatures verifying that the activities rules and regulations have been read by parent and student:

Parent Signature:

Student Signature:\_\_\_\_\_