

# **Green Sea Floyds High School**

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## **Athletic Handbook**



**GREEN SEA FLOYDS**

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## **Welcome to Green Sea Floyds Middle & High School Athletics**

Welcome to the Green Sea Floyds Middle & High School Athletic Program. We hope that your involvement in this program will provide you with many rewarding and worthwhile experiences.

Academics are the primary focus of our school system. Participation in an athletic program provides opportunities and experiences that may not be available in the regular curriculum. The athletic department is an extension of the classroom. Our athletic program promotes lifelong personal and community wellness and contributing citizens in our society.

Our goal is to provide opportunities for student-athletes to excel in teamwork, sportsmanship, self-discipline, acceptable personal and social behavior, and character.

Our objective is to provide our student athletes with:

- The best possible administration, supervision, and instruction available.
- Quality facilities and equipment that is both safe and people friendly.
- Safe, quality transportation to and from all competitions and activities.
- Proper funding to meet all of their needs in the extracurricular activity.

Athletics are enjoyed by people of all ages. Skills of their respective sports take a lot of concentration, dedication, and constant practice. Sports are tried by a lot of people. However, most never make it to the high school level. Take pride in your accomplishments.

Participation in athletics at Conway High School is a privilege, not a right.

Play your sport with passion. Have fun at practice and games. Believe in your ability, your teammates, your coaches, and we will succeed.

## **Philosophy**

A dynamic program of student activities is vital to the educational development of the student. The basic philosophy of the athletic program is to prepare our students to become productive, contributing citizens of our community and society.

The opportunity for participation in a wide variety of student-selected activities is a critical part of a student's educational experiences. Such participation is a privilege that carries with it responsibilities to the school, to the activity, to other students, to the community and to the athletes themselves. These experiences contribute to the development of learning skills and emotional patterns that enable the student to achieve maximum benefit from his or her education.

Green Sea Floyds Middle & High School athletics are considered a supplement to the school's academic program which strives to provide experiences that will help to develop students physically, mentally, socially and emotionally.

## **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Green Sea Floyds Athletic Department is to provide meaningful and safe activities that develop sportsmanship, perseverance, leadership, teamwork, commitment, respect, accountability, and pride in our community through athletic participation.

## **Athletic Offerings**

### **Fall Sports**

- Football (Varsity, B-Team)
- Girls and Boys Cross Country (Varsity)
- Girls Volleyball (Varsity, Junior Varsity)
- Girls Tennis (Varsity)
- Cheerleading (Varsity and Junior Varsity)

### **Winter Sports**

- Girls and Boys Basketball (Varsity, Junior Varsity, B-Team)
- Cheerleading (Varsity and Junior Varsity)

### **Spring Sports**

- Baseball (Varsity, Junior Varsity, and B-Team)
- Softball (Varsity, Junior Varsity)
- Girls and Boys Track and Field (Varsity)
- Boys Tennis (Varsity)
- Boys Golf (Varsity)
- Girls and Boys Soccer (Junior Varsity and Varsity)

# **Game Day Procedures**

## **Tickets**

Tickets are sold for football, basketball, baseball, and softball events. The ticket price is \$8 for a varsity football and basketball events and \$7 for varsity volleyball, baseball, and softball events and all sub-varsity events, with the exception of playoff games, which is set by the South Carolina High School League. There is a “No Re-admittance” and “No Refund” policy in effect for all contests at Green Sea Floyds Middle and High School. Fans may purchase Athletic All Sports Passes, good for all home contests except for the South Carolina High School League playoffs. Entrance for general ticket sales for football, baseball, and softball will be at the ticket booth located at gate one. Entrance for all basketball and volleyball game will be the doorway closest to the bus parking lot.

## **Parking**

Parking behind the home stands at the football field is reserved for our Green Sea Floyds Athletic Booster Club Members for all home varsity football games. Athletic Booster Club members will use Gate three to enter the stadium. Parking is on a first come basis in all other parking lots and events.

## **Facilities**

Football contests will compete at Luther Enzor Memorial Stadium on campus. Seats are not reserved except for an area marked off for the Green Sea Floyds Marching Band and other special events. The press box is limited to use by authorized school personnel and accredited media only.

The gymnasium is used for basketball and volleyball games. There is no reserved seating except for an area for our cheerleaders. All Varsity, Junior Varsity, and B-Team games will be played in the High School Gymnasium.

Baseball, softball, and cross country compete on campus. Gate one will be the fan entrance for all baseball and softball events.

The golf team will compete at Diamondback Country Club.

## **Concessions**

Concessions are operated by the faculty and staff of Green Sea Floyds High School and open for most contests. Containers, coolers, and outside food / drink are prohibited.

## **Tobacco Policy**

The use of tobacco products is prohibited on all Horry County School District campuses.

## **Clear Bag Policy for Football and Basketball Games**

In order to provide a safe and secure environment for our parents, community members, students, athletes, staff, and officials, Horry County Schools will implement a Clear Bag Policy for all football and basketball games effective August 2018. School staff will continue to implement security checkpoints and approved bag searches.

### **Approved Bags**

- Clear plastic or vinyl bags that do not exceed 12" x 6" x 12"
- One-gallon clear plastic freezer bag
- Small clutch bags no larger than 4.5" x 6.5" – approximately the size of a hand, with or without a handle or strap
- Medically necessary items (after proper inspection at the entrance)
- Diaper bags (with an infant/toddler – after proper inspection at the entrance)

### **Prohibited bags include, but are not limited to:**

- Purses larger than a clutch bag
- Briefcases
- Backpacks
- Fanny packs
- Cinch/Drawstring bags
- Luggage of any kind
- Computer bags/Camera Bags

### **Other Prohibited items include, but are not limited to:**

- Coolers
- Weapons/concealed weapons
- Alcoholic beverages
- Containers of any kind
- Aerosol and spray cans
- Mace/pepper spray
- Animals (except service animals)
- Laser lights, strobe lights, and pointers
- Irritants such as artificial noisemakers
- Fireworks/explosives
- Inflatables (beach balls, etc.)
- Masks of any kind
- Drones

**Restrooms**

Restrooms are located at the concessions stands at Luther Enzor Memorial Stadium and in the lobby of the gymnasium.

**First Aid**

The training room during football, cross country, and girls' tennis, boys' tennis, baseball, softball, and track and field seasons is located in the field house. During volleyball, and basketball seasons the training room is located on the athletic hallway near the gymnasiums and locker rooms. See any administrator to locate our Athletic Trainer.

**Handicap Ramps**

Ramps are available throughout the school property and arrangements can be made for special seating.

**Lost and Found**

Any items that are found should be turned in to the concession stand for handling by the Athletic Director. Any items that are not claimed will be placed in the lost and found in the front office the next school day.

## **Athletic Information**

### **Physicals**

All athletes must have a completed current Athletic Participation Form on file at school before they can tryout, practice, or participate in a contest. Physicals for the 2024-2025 school year are valid from April 1, 2024 – June 5, 2025. Students and parents are encouraged to obtain a physical as soon as possible in anticipation of the upcoming sports seasons. Forms are available through the athletic training room, main office, and accessed through the school's website.

Physical forms must be signed by a licensed medical doctor or a certified physician's assistant or family nurse practitioner practicing under the supervision of a licensed medical doctor. Physicals completed by a chiropractor are NOT acceptable.

All forms must be fully completed, signed, and dated where indicated. Students with incomplete forms will not be able to participate.

Students should turn all forms in to the Athletic Trainer at Green Sea Floyds Middle and High School before their first practice. Online physical forms should be completed on [www.planeths.com](http://www.planeths.com). For more information or instructions, please visit the Green Sea Floyds Athletic website at [www.greenseafloydstrojans.com](http://www.greenseafloydstrojans.com).

Please contact the Athletic Trainer for further information.

### **Risk of Participation**

All athletes and parents must realize the risk of serious injury as a result of athletic participation. Green Sea Floyds Middle and High School will use the following safeguards to make every effort to eliminate injury:

- Maintain a continuing education program for coaches to learn the most up to date techniques and skills to be taught in their sport.
- Instruct all athletes about the dangers of participation in the particular sport.

### **Academic Requirements**

All students must meet the eligibility requirements set by the South Carolina High School League and in addition, those set by Green Sea Floyds Middle and High School.

#### High School:

Athletes are required to pass at least 3 courses in the previous spring semester in order to be eligible for the fall semester. In order to be eligible for the spring semester, athletes must pass a minimum of 3 courses in the fall semester

### Middle School:

Athletes are required to be promoted academically to the next grade level in order to be eligible for the fall semester. In order to be eligible for the spring semester, athletes must be eligible per the Horry County School District promotion policy. If the student is failing Math or English, the student would not be eligible for the spring semester.

## **Code of Conduct**

All athletes at Green Sea Floyds Middle and High School are held accountable for their actions. It is the duty of the athletes to conduct themselves in a respectful positive manner as they represent themselves, the Green Sea Floyds community, school, team, and coaches.

A firm and fair policy of enforcement is necessary to uphold the regulations and standards of the athletic department. The community, school administrators, and the coaching staff feel strongly that high standards of conduct and citizenship are essential in maintaining a sound program of athletics. The welfare of the student is our major consideration and transcends any other consideration.

Any conduct that results in dishonor to the athlete, the team or the school while in season, out of season, on campus or off campus, will not be tolerated. Acts of unacceptable conduct, such as, but not limited to theft, vandalism, disrespect, immorality, hazing, sexual harassment, or violations of law; tarnish the reputation of everyone associated with the athletic program and will not be tolerated. This rule will be enforced twelve months of the year.

Specific punishments cannot be listed since varying circumstances; the severity of the infraction and the athlete's reaction to being corrected provides too many variables. Coaches and or the Athletic Director will handle individual instances in a manner that seems best suited to the situation but athletes should note appropriate responses by coaches or the Athletic Director could range anywhere from extra duties/conditioning to permanent denial of participation in athletics at Green Sea Floyds Middle and High School.

Definitions of terms for unacceptable conduct:

- Theft – stealing, borrowing without permission, or taking personal property that belongs to another person, school, team, or organization.
- Vandalism – willful or malicious breaking, destruction, or defacement of public or private property.
- Disrespect – actions that show or express a lack of high regard or reverence for others. This includes the use of unacceptable language.
- Immorality – any action that shows or expresses a disregard of right and wrong
- Hazing – any action that humiliates, degrades, abuses, or endangers another person, regardless of that person's willingness to participate.
- Sexual Harassment – actions, comments, threats, verbalization, coercion, jokes, teasing, or intimidation that is of sexual nature and is unwelcome by those exposed to them.

- Violations of the Code of Conduct that involves breaking criminal law will be handled as follows:
  - Any student-athlete that is charged or cited with any violation other than minor traffic violations will be placed on suspension from athletic activities until further investigation and confirmation. Additional suspension or penalty may be assessed pending the guilt or innocence of the student.
  - Any student-athlete that is found guilty of a felony will be dismissed from the athletic program.
- Suspension means that the student-athlete is not allowed to dress out, participate, or practice.
- Dismissal means that the student-athlete is no longer part of the team.

## **Attendance**

It is the responsibility of all athletes to attend school on a regular basis. Athletes cannot participate in practice or a game unless they are in attendance at school.

- All athletes must attend or have Green Sea Floyds Middle and High School as their base school.
- Athletes should be present in all classes during the school day unless excused by parents, faculty, or administration. A student-athlete shall not participate in athletics (practice or game) on the day he or she has been absent for more than half of the school day without just reason. Just reason is anything beyond the control of the student, with the exception of illness. Doctor/dental appointments and Horry County School's lawful absences are just reasons; however, conformation notes will be required by the Athletic Director or Coach. An athlete who leaves school early due to an illness is considered too ill to participate in athletics. An athlete who arrives at school late because of a sickness must arrive before 11:30 AM to be granted permission to participate.
- If a team is traveling to a state athletic contest, athletes must attend school from the first class to the time of departure.

## **Out of School Suspension (OSS)**

Any athlete on OSS status will not be allowed to practice or participate in contests during the suspension. Students should be aware that offenses that lead to OSS might be severe enough to remove their privilege to participate on the team. Students on OSS status are not allowed to be on campus or attend any school function.

## **Individual Coach's Rules**

Coaches may establish additional rules and regulations with the approval of the athletic director and principal for their respective sports. These rules will include specific penalties for infractions, violations, and unacceptable behavior. These rules will be explained fully to all team

members at the start of the season. The penalties for violations will be administered by the coach.

When serving an athletic suspension, the athlete is expected to demonstrate support for his or her team mates. Failure to adhere to these expectations may extend his or her suspension and/or affect his or her status on the team.

## **Dress**

Athletes are encouraged to dress in an appropriate manner whenever they represent Green Sea Floyds Middle and High School. This includes appropriate dress during the school day, at practice, and for all games.

## **Team Selection**

When the season begins, student-athletes will have an opportunity to try out for a sport. Athletes participating in regular season or playoff games when a new season begins are expected to attend tryouts of the new sport season the day after the completion of the previous sport.

Quitting is an unacceptable habit. Once an athlete begins the in-season training period of a sport, they should not quit while that sport is in season. If an athlete quits a sport they will be withheld from participation until that season is over (including playoffs). In the event an athlete quits a sport, it is the coach's decision if an athlete can return to the team. If an athlete does quit a team, they will be ineligible to play another sport until that season is complete. Each coach has their own policy on how to select their team. Coaches will explain their policy to the potential athletes before the season begins.

## **Sportsmanship**

Green Sea Floyds Middle and High School values the participation of parents and the community in the activities of the school and encourages adults to serve as role models for the students. The school welcomes visitors to the campus for any public sporting event.

While visitors are welcome on campus, the paramount concern of the high school is to provide a safe and orderly atmosphere. The following requirements apply:

- Spectators at events open to the public are expected to conduct themselves to model good sportsmanship and citizenship. This applies to student spectators as well as adults.
- Spectators shall not harass, degrade, or heckle players, participants, or referees.
- Spectators shall not throw anything on the playing surface or come onto the playing surface before, during, or after a contest without being beckoned by the head coach or administration.
- Spectators shall not approach the coach or either team before, during, or after a game.
- Spectators shall not approach the referees before, during, or after a game.

Any visitor to a school events who violates this policy will be asked to leave (no refund or readmission) and may lose the privilege of coming on campus and/ or attending school events in the future.

Students and spectators should...

- Realize you represent the school as well as the members of the team; therefore, you have an obligation to be a true sportsman.
- Recognize that good sportsmanship is more important than victory by approving and applauding good team play, individual skill, and outstanding examples of sportsmanship and fair play exhibited by either team.
- Remember that the primary purpose of interscholastic athletics is to promote physical, mental, moral, social, and emotional well-being of the players, through competition.
- Be modest in victory and gracious in defeat
- Respect the judgment and the integrity of officials.

## **Ejections**

Anyone ejected from a contest or observed....

- Fighting(throwing a punch)
- Biting
- Taunting, baiting, or spitting toward an opponent
- Use of profanity
- Use of obscene gestures
- Disrespectfully addressing or contacting an official

....shall be suspended by the South Carolina High School League and may be subjected to discipline by Green Sea Floyds Middle and High School as well.

## **Transportation**

All student athletes are expected to travel with the team to and from all away athletic contests. Transportation for all teams will be provided through the athletic department. In the event that a student needs to ride home with a parent from an away contest, the parent must sign the student athlete out. No student athlete is allowed to ride home with another's parent or student from an away contest, even with parent permission. The student must ride home with the parent provided the proper documentation is signed or ride home with the team.

## **Communication**

Our coaches are expected to communicate the following with the players and parents:

- Philosophy of the coach
- Expectations the coach has for team members
- Locations and times of all practices and contests
- Team requirements (fees, special equipment, off season conditioning, etc...)

- Discipline that results in the denial of your child's participation

As your child becomes involved in the athletic program at Green Sea Floyds Middle and High School they will experience some of the most rewarding moments of their lives. It is important to understand that there are also may be times when things do not go the way your child wishes. At these times, discussion with the coach is encouraged.

Appropriate concerns to discuss with coaches:

- The treatment of your child, mentally and physically
- Ways to help your child improve
- Concerns about your child's behavior

It is very difficult to accept your child's not playing as much as you may hope. Coaches are professionals. They make judgment decisions based on what they believe to be best for all students involved. As you have seen from the list above, certain things can be and should be discussed with your child's coach. Other things, such as those listed below, must be left to the discretion of the coach

Issues not appropriate to discuss with coaches:

- Playing time
- Team Strategy
- Play Calling
- Other student athletes

There are situations that may require a conference between the coach and the parent. These are encouraged. It is important that both parties involved have a clear understanding of the other's position. When these conferences are necessary, the following procedures should be followed to help promote a resolution to the concern.

Contact the appropriate level head coach to set up a time to discuss the issue.

If you need to discuss the issue further after speaking with the appropriate level head coach, please contact the Varsity Head Coach of the particular sport.

If you would like to discuss the issue after speaking with the Varsity Head Coach, please contact the Athletic Director, Derek Martin – 843-392-3131

Email – [dmartin@horrycountyschools.net](mailto:dmartin@horrycountyschools.net)

Please do not attempt to confront a coach before, during, or after a contest. These can be emotional times for both the parent and the coach. Meetings of this nature do not promote resolution.