ASHEBORO HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC POLICIES

PHILOSOPHY

Interscholastic athletics is a co-curricular activity and is an integral part of the educational process for the student athletes. Athletics teaches life skills including responsibility, accountability, team building, fair play and determination.

The Asheboro City School system emphasizes academic accountability and fair play. It promotes attitudes and practices that keep winning in perspective and discourages activities that would be considered unsportsmanlike.

It is the belief of the Asheboro City School system that all students should have the opportunity to participate in competitive athletics.

CITIZENSHIP/SPORTSMANSHIP

To become a team member, an individual must learn to work with others to promote responsibility and obligation for his/her actions. You are a special person when you are chosen as a member of the Blue Comets. We are students first, athletes second. **Everything you do at school, in the community, and at rival schools is noticed and judged. You are a role model and a spokesperson for the community and school system.**

The conduct of an athlete in uniform is fully covered in **the rules and regulations of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association.** Responsibility for the enforcement of all regulations and rules rests with the principal, the coach, the student activities coordinator, and the Asheboro City School system.

STUDENT/ATHLETE BEHAVIORAL MANAGEMENT PLAN

Asheboro High School will adhere to the **Asheboro City Schools Student Code of Conduct,** which is provided to each student upon entry to school each fall. See this document for board policies. Rule violations and major infractions will be dealt with by the **Asheboro High School Student Behavior Management Plan** adopted by the Asheboro City School system.

The following infractions are outlined in this policy:

1) Tobacco Use/Possession

5) Arson

9) Profanity/Vulgarity

2) Fighting

6) Intimidation

10) Hazing

3) Weapons

7) Gross Misconduct

4) Assault

8) Insubordination

- 11) Substance Abuse(Alcohol/Drugs)
 - -Students found possessing, using, transmitting, or being under the influence of alcohol or drugs at any time (24/7) will be:
 - 1) <u>1</u>st offense-30 days suspension from all athletic activities (must practice, but not dress or participate in games/contests, enroll in an appropriate drug-counseling program). Any cost will be assumed by parent/guardian.
 - 2) $\frac{2^{\text{nd}} \text{ offense}}{2^{\text{nd}}}$ offense-365 day suspension from AHS Athletics.
 - 3) 3^{rd} offense-Non-participation in AHS Athletics.
 - 4) If offense occurs out of season, penalty will be imposed with next sport the athlete participates in.

If a student/athlete self reports a substance abuse problem before a charge or conviction has occurred they may continue to participate after seeking appropriate professional counseling. A follow-up plan and review will be required.

Any one of the previous violations/infractions may mean an automatic OSS from school and suspension/removal from an athletic team.

We are committed to providing a quality extra-curricular program designed to be an extension of the academic classroom. We strive to ensure that the student-athlete enjoys the numerous physical and emotional benefits of athletics while showing good sportsmanship through participation.

AHS ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION POLICIES

- 1. On the day of a game/practice, the athlete must be in attendance for a minimum of ½ of the school day. Only extenuating circumstances as approved by the principal will be considered for a waiver from this policy.
- 2. If an athlete is suspended from school (OSS), he/she will not be permitted to practice or play until the suspension is completed.(1st offense-1 game suspension, 2nd offense-2 game suspension, 3rd offense-School year suspension from AHS teams.)
- 3. An athlete assigned an entire academic schedule ISS day may not play until their assignment is completed. .(1st offense-1 game suspension, 2nd offense-2 game suspension, 3rd offense-School year suspension from AHS teams.)
- **4.** Penalties for violating team rules will be left up to the coach of that particular sport.
- **5**. If an athlete quits or is dismissed from a sport, he/she may not begin a new sport season until that athlete's teams' season is complete.
- **6.** Requirements for lettering in a sport are set by the coaching staff of each individual sport.
- 7. All players and team personnel must ride to and from the athletic contest on the team bus. Exceptions to this rule may be waived by the coach, but a note must be signed by the parents of each player. The player must ride only with his/her parents.

I have read the Blue Comet policies and understand what is expected.

Student Athlete Signature:	Date:
Parent Signature:	Date:
Coach Signature:	Date: