



# South Hills Middle School Student-Athlete Contract



The South Hills Athletics Department believes that athletics play a supporting role in the development of young people. Athletics assist in promoting the importance of teamwork, effort, goals, leadership, and commitment. Sportsmanship, respect for participants, and dignity in the face of adversity are more important than the outcome of the contest.

## 1. Academics

- a. I understand that my primary responsibility is to my academics and I must keep up my grades to be eligible for sports.  
(See student handbook for full grade and attendance policy)
- b. I will attend more than 90% of my classes so I remain eligible to play.
- c. I will follow all classroom rules and guidelines.
- d. I have an academic responsibility to see my teacher(s) the day before an early dismissal for an athletic contest. All work shall be made up according to the class rules.
- e. I will inform coaches of any classroom, or school, disciplinary consequences earned by my choices.

## 2. Character

- a. I will respect the dignity of all persons; therefore, I will not physically, mentally, or psychologically abuse or bully any person.
- b. I will neither use nor support the use of illegal drugs, alcohol, or the smoking of any substance.
- c. I will use language that is socially acceptable. Profanity, vulgar talk and obscene gestures will not be tolerated.
- d. I will conduct myself like a respectful citizen in and out of the competition area, knowing that I am a representative of SHMS.
- e. I will conduct myself appropriately in the locker room, on the bus, and any road trips.
- f. I will respect the property of others; therefore, I will neither abuse nor tolerate the abuse of property.

## 3. Team

- a. I understand that my role on this team is to listen, to learn, and to play the game. I also understand that the coach's role on this team is to make decisions and teach the sport and to help us become the best we can be.
- b. I will assume my role on the team, and give my best effort in that role.
- c. I will cooperate with teammates, coaches, and officials.
- d. All questions regarding playing time and any other concerns are to be directed, solely by the student athlete, to the coach first.

Athlete name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Athlete signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_