

Athletic Contract

Participation in athletics at Jacksonville Classical Academy is a privilege. Student-athletes are expected to demonstrate excellence in academics, character, sportsmanship, and personal responsibility. This agreement outlines the expectations for all student-athletes and parents/guardians participating in JXC athletic programs.

STUDENT-ATHLETE RESPONSIBILITIES

1. I will represent Jacksonville Classical Academy with integrity, sportsmanship, and respect at all times.
2. I will treat coaches, teammates, opponents, officials, teachers, school staff, and spectators with dignity and respect.
3. I understand that every member of the team has value regardless of role or playing time. I will encourage and support my teammates.
4. I will give my maximum effort during every practice, workout, meeting, contest, and team activity.
5. Attendance at all practices, team meetings, games, and team functions is expected. If an emergency arises, I will notify my coach as soon as possible.
6. Injured athletes are still expected to attend practices and contests unless excused by the Head Coach or Athletic Director. Injured athletes are expected to remain engaged by supporting teammates and assisting coaches when appropriate.
7. Three (3) unexcused absences from practices, meetings, or contests may result in dismissal from the team.
8. I will arrive on time and prepare for all athletic activities. Excessive tardiness may result in disciplinary action or dismissal from the team.
9. I will conduct myself in a manner that reflects positively on my family, my teammates, and Jacksonville Classical Academy both on and off campus.
10. I will follow all Jacksonville Classical Academy dress code requirements during the school day. Uniform or dress code violations may result in loss of playing time or additional disciplinary action.
11. I understand that athletics are secondary to academics. I must maintain at least a 2.0 GPA to remain eligible.
12. Any student-athlete earning an **F** in any class will become immediately ineligible until the grade is improved in accordance with school and athletic department policies.
13. Any student-athlete earning a **D** will be placed on Academic Probation and will have fourteen (14) calendar days to demonstrate improvement. Additional academic support or study hall may be required.
14. I understand that coaches determine playing time based on effort, attitude, attendance, preparation, coachability, and team needs.
15. I agree to follow all Jacksonville Classical Academy, league, and state athletic association rules.

PARENT/GUARDIAN RESPONSIBILITIES

1. I will model good sportsmanship by treating players, coaches, officials, opponents, and spectators with courtesy and respect.
2. I will encourage all athletes positively and will refrain from criticizing players during practices or contests.
3. I will not argue with or make derogatory comments toward officials before, during, or after contests.
4. I understand that coaching decisions belong to the coaching staff. I will not coach or instruct athletes from the sidelines during practices or competitions.
5. To provide the best learning environment for our athletes, parents and spectators are not permitted to attend practices unless specifically invited by the coaching staff.
6. If I have concerns regarding my child's athletic experience, I will schedule a meeting with the Head Coach after allowing a 24-hour period following a contest. Discussions regarding playing time or comparisons with other athletes are not appropriate topics.
7. I will ensure my athlete attends all practices, meetings, contests, and team functions and arrives on time.
8. I will support the coaching staff and encourage my athletes to demonstrate respect, accountability, and a positive attitude.
9. I understand that if my child arrives at school after 12:00pm, they may not participate in practice or competition that day unless approved by school administration.
10. I understand that if my child is absent from school for any reason, they may not participate in practice or competition that day unless approved by school administration.
11. I understand that the athletic participation fee of **\$250** is due within **seven (7) days** after the official team roster is announced. Participation fees are non-refundable. Athletes who have not satisfied this obligation may not participate until payment arrangements have been approved by the Athletic Director.
12. I understand my athlete must have a current athletic physical and all required athletic forms completed and approved through Home Campus before participating in any workout, practice, conditioning session, scrimmage, or contest.
13. I understand that participation in athletics is a privilege and that failure to follow school or athletic department expectations may result in disciplinary action, suspension, or dismissal from the team.