

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

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Statement of Understanding and Cooperation for Parents and Student Athletes

I understand and agree to fully cooperate with the following:

1. Smile, meet and greet. Often you may be the first impression someone has of CCS and of our Lord and Savior. Ask yourself this questions, “Is my speech setting up an opportunity to share Jesus Christ or a need to apologize?”
2. Parents and athletes will follow the basic standards, procedures and guidelines of the CCS Athletic Department at all times.
3. Playing time should never be discussed with a coach under any circumstances. No person is ever promised any amount of playing time. This is always at the discretion of the coach.
4. Coaches should never be approached before, during, or after a game to discuss any problems, issues, or concerns.
5. Never criticize the officials or coaches. These people represent the authority figure, the “boss”, the parent, the teacher, and the “Law”. If you are “bad mouthing” your children’s coaches or officials you cannot expect him or her to play for or respect these people. Obedience to authority is not optional and is not predicated on whether or not you agree with it. All authority is God-given and disobedience to authority is disobedience to God.
6. Insist that your students address the coach and the officials with respect. They should call their coaches Coach or Mr., Miss, or Mrs. They should address the officials with “Yes, Sir” or “Yes, Ma’am”. You should use these titles as well in the presence of your students or when referring to the coach or officials.
7. Never be involved in negative cheering. Booing the officials or opponents or getting into negative changes against the opposing crowd sets a bad example for your children and is counter to everything we say we believe.
8. Participation Fees and Sports Fees must be paid in full before the first official game of the season.
9. To be considered eligible, Parents and Student Athletes must read the Central Athletic Handbook and agree to abide by its contents.
10. Parents and Student Athletes must abide by the CCS Sportsmanship Policy at all times.
11. Parents and Student Athletes must remember that they represent the school, administration, and faculty of CCS at all times and must conduct themselves accordingly.

12. Tryouts are held each year for each sport to determine who makes the final roster. The GICAA has restrictions on the number of players each team can use.
13. CCS Athletic Department enforces a “No Quit Policy”. This means that once the final roster has been submitted to the office, athletes are not allowed to quit any team until the end of the season unless under a doctor’s recommendation. Quitting or being kicked off a team will impact selection to other teams and impact future letters of recommendations from the school.
14. Student Athletes are expected to be at every scheduled practice and game. A doctor’s note should be submitted if a practice or game is missed. The office and/or Athletic Director must be notified immediately if a practice or game is going to be missed.
15. Parents and Student Athletes are responsible to review the practice schedule and game schedule found on the CCS web site under ‘athletics’.
16. Parents, Student Athletes and family members at the games should always promote a spirit of appreciation and kindness towards opposing teams, fans, and coaches and cheer in a positive manner.
17. Central Christian allows coaches to use disciplinary measures to correct student athletes who violate the policies and rules required for all CCS athletes. The measures may include, but not limited to, not starting, sitting out part of the game, sitting out an entire game, being suspended from one or more games, etc.
18. All Student Athletes must be on time to school the day after an away game to avoid any disciplinary measures.
19. Student Athletes are required to use the transportation provided by the school while traveling to and from away games. Parents may sign a travel waiver agreement to transport athletes to events. Unless it is their family, athletes should not ride with any person who has not signed the travel waiver.
20. Student Athletes should bring money to purchase snacks and/or meals for away games.
21. Parents and Student Athletes will be notified concerning the approximate return times for away games. Emails, Renweb, and social media will be used to communicate any and all sports information.
22. Parents and Student Athletes are completely responsible for the uniforms and/or practice gear assigned to them. Families assume the full financial cost of the uniform pieces if lost, stolen, or damaged in any way.
23. Parents and Student Athletes should go through the proper leadership channels to express any thoughts, concerns, problems, suggestions, or ideas beginning with the Athletic Director, Justin Stephens.
24. The Athletic Department of CCS desires to not only have a competitive sports program, but also a winning sports program. Individual coach’s personal decisions are based on this philosophy.
25. Student Athletes are expected to participate fully in all Athletic Fundraising that is designed to build, improve, and strengthen the entire program.

26. Student Athletes are expected to maintain basic academic standards during the year as set forth by the school and the GICAA to maintain academic compliance and eligibility.
27. Student Athletes must maintain sports eligibility requirements at all times to participate in any sport as outlined by CCS and the GICAA. Athletes who have transferred to Central Christian from another school must be cleared for eligibility by Mr. Parsons, Mr. Stephens, and the Academic Counselor of CCS, Mrs. Shelly Smith before beginning practice in any sport.
28. Families of Student Athletes are expected to maintain proper insurance coverage at all times while participating in athletics at CCS. Central Christian School does not maintain individual athletic insurance coverage.