

Bearcat Sportsmanship



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Bearcat Sportsmanship Looks Like...

1. Respect myself, others, and property	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• If you lose, don't make up excuses.• If you win, don't rub it in.• Learn from mistakes and get back in the game.• Always do your best and don't let your team down.• Show respect to officials and coaches.• If someone makes a mistake, remain encouraging. We are all learning.
2. Be on time and prepared.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Come to practices ready to work.• Arrange transportation to away games.
3. Listen and follow directions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Listen to coaches and officials. If you have concerns please bring them to the coach the day after the game.• Be sure that the noise you make in the stands does not distract players or coaches.
4. Keep hands, feet, and ugly words to self.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use encouraging words for your teammates.• Avoid criticizing players, coaches, parents, and officials, especially during a game.
5. Walk and talk quietly.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Except when you're cheering in the stands!• End your competitions with a handshake or high five.

And remember, we are a middle school sports program. We believe:

1. Everyone deserves to play.
2. We learn valuable teamwork, relationship, organization, and athletic skills by being on a team.
3. Learning how to lose is as important as learning how to win, and we must do both with grace.
4. Our athletes represent our school, and we are so proud of them!

Let's play!

Mar Lee School

Eligibility Rules for Athletes

Attendance:

Students who are present during the school day are expected to be present at practice. Absence from practice is excused when a student is absent from school or when a parent contacts the office to excuse absence from practice.

Unexcused absences from practice will result in the following:

1 unexcused absence	Miss one half of next competition.
2 unexcused absences	Miss next competition.
3 unexcused absences	Dismissed from team.

Behavior:

Our school-wide expectations and rules are in full force when we take part in any school sponsored event, whether it is at Mar Lee School or another school. Athletes who do not follow our school-wide expectations will receive a Report for Broken Rule. They will receive the appropriate consequence on the Mar Lee Behavior matrix, as well as the following:

Incident 1	Miss one half of next competition.
Incident 2	Miss next competition.
Incident 3	Dismissed from team.

Academic:

Athletes must be passing all classes in order to participate in competition. If an athlete is failing any class (earning an E) they will not be allowed to compete, but may continue to attend practices. Students earning two or more E grades must sit out of practice until they are failing one or fewer classes.

Effort:

Play time is not guaranteed. Players who come to practice to play basketball and work hard will earn play time regardless of skill level.

Athletes will receive written notification if they will miss playing time due to unexcused absences, academic ineligibility, write ups, or low effort. *Athletes are responsible for notifying their parents of their change in playing time.*

I have reviewed the **Bearcat Sportsmanship** expectations and the **Mar Lee School Eligibility Rules for Athletes**. I understand that all athletes must follow these rules and expectations in order to participate in Mar Lee School athletics.

Parent

Date

Student

Date