

Pine Drive Christian School Athletic Department believes extracurricular activities are necessary to supplement the curriculum of the school and to provide meaningful and educational experiences for each student. Since participation in athletics is voluntary and all groups or organizations must exist within a framework of certain policies, rules, and regulations, the Athletic Department has developed the following policies:

- A. All athletes must abide by all regular school policies as designated by PDCS Athletic Department Code of Conduct form, and TAPPS.
- B. Appropriate care must be taken of all equipment, school facilities, and properties. Athletes shall be held financially responsible for any damage or loss through their negligence, at the replacement cost.
- C. All athletes shall report any injuries or illness to their respective coaches immediately upon occurrence.
- D. Before athletes are permitted to engage in any practice, they must have on file with the Athletic Director the following forms:
 1. Permission to Participate Form
 2. Emergency Medical Authorization Form
 3. Participation Fee Form
 4. Physical Form
 5. TAPPS Acknowledgment Of Rules Form
 6. PDCS Code of Conduct Form
- E. The athlete shall be expected to attend all required practices, meetings, and contests. The appropriate coach shall be notified of an absence. No season is over until all contests, state-sponsored tournaments, or meets have been completed by the team or individuals. Refusal to participate through the end of the season shall result in the loss of any awards or recognition.
- F. Athletes quitting a sport must clear all responsibilities and obligations with the coach of that sport. Athletes who quit will not be allowed to participate in another sport for the entire school year.
- G. Athletes who are under any type of medication shall have on file with the coach (or Athletic Director) a note from the parent/guardian and or doctor.
- H. All athletes shall abide by all regular school policies and by the code on student suspensions, expulsions, and removals that was adopted by Pine Drive Christian School.
- I. Athletes who engage in any criminal activity or violations of civil law may be denied participation in an extracurricular program. Recognizing the varying degrees of the severity of the violations (misdemeanors vs. felonies), consequences for such involvement may result in a minor or denial of participation depending upon the nature of the offense.
- J. Athletes shall abide by additional rules and regulations presented normally to all team members of a particular sport by the coaches. It is the policy of the Athletic Department to prohibit the use by students of any tobacco product, alcoholic product, or drugs not prescribed

by a physician. For any violation, the following consequence will be assessed:

1. First Offense: the athlete will be denied participation from competitions (with required practice) beginning with the first scheduled competition following the offense and concluding after twenty percent of that season's competitions have taken place.
2. Second Offense: dismissal from that sport season without gaining awards or recognition.
3. Third Offense: The athlete will be denied participation in all athletic programs for the academic year.

The Athletic Department also identifies the following stipulations:

- A. The use of alcoholic beverages shall also be enforced under the code on student suspensions, expulsions, and removals.
- B. Since state law prohibits purchase and consumption of alcoholic beverages by minors, law enforcement and legal ramifications may exist.
- C. It is either a misdemeanor or a felony in this state to use, buy, or sell illegal drugs. Law enforcement personnel will be notified, and legal ramifications may exist in the use or sale of, and purchase of, illegal drugs.

It is the policy of the PDCS Athletic Department and coaching staff that any action taken by a coach, under the general rules and regulations, against an athlete can result in an indefinite suspension for the athlete from that team. An infraction must be observed by a teacher, coach, chaperone, school administrator, school board member, a member of any law enforcement agency, or the parent of the athlete in violation. In the event of any infraction of these policies or rules, the following procedures will take place:

1. The coach/advisor must inform the athlete either verbally or in writing about any infraction and the subsequent consequences. The coach/advisor will then conduct an informal hearing to allow the athlete to explain his/her actions.
2. The coach/advisor must contact the athlete's parents, athletic director, and principal-either verbally or in writing-that the athlete is being denied participation. The coach must also explain the appeal process.
3. In keeping with due-process procedures, if requested by the parent, a hearing involving the athlete, his/her parents, the involved coach, the athletic director, and the high school principal may be held. At the hearing, the denial of participation may be given definite duration, or it may be lifted.

We have read and understand the above rules and regulations related to Pine Drive Christian School Athletic Department's Code of Conduct and will abide by them. We also understand the consequences and penalties for these rules and regulations if they are violated.

PDCS Athletics Code of Conduct

Student Athlete's Signature _____

Student Athlete's Printed Name _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature _____

Parent/Guardian's Printed Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____