St. Paul's Lutheran School Bourbonnais, Illinois



## CODE OF BEHAVIOR FOR ATHLETIC CONTESTS (Grades 5th-8th)

St. Paul's Lutheran School students who participate in athletics and come to cheer on their fellow classmates should be aware of the following rules and guidelines for athletic contests. A signed copy of this form must be on file in the office prior to any participation in an athletic event.

## PLAYERS & PARENTS

- 1. Transportation to games is your responsibility. It is suggested, if you ride with an adult other than your parents, that you remember to thank them and inform them if you are riding home with another adult. If you are dropped off for a game at home or away, please inform your parents concerning a pick-up time or call before the end of the varsity game so your ride arrives by the end of the game. Do not make an adult supervisor wait for someone to pick you up at the end of the evening.
- 2. Players should arrive at the game site 30 minutes before the scheduled start of the game.
- 3. The use of locker rooms and dressing facilities is a privilege and it needs to be treated that way. Pick up after yourself and obey all rules relating to respect for property. The last one to leave locker rooms should turn off the lights.
- 4. Players are responsible for their own equipment; bringing it, picking it up, putting it away, etc. Equipment issued by the school must be returned in good condition. You will be billed accordingly for the replacement cost of any lost or damaged jerseys/uniforms that are not returned within two weeks of the end of the season.
- 5. Participants should eat wisely before the game. No junk food (gum, pop, or candy). Eat healthy (pasta, fruit, etc.) and give yourself plenty of time for your body to digest.
- 6. Athletes need to leave other team members' equipment alone. You are responsible for only your own property.
- 7. A detention note received on game day forfeits your participation and attendance.
- 8. An absence on a game day forfeits your participation.
- 9. Academic eligibility will be reviewed weekly. Please refer to the Athlete and Parent Handbook for eligibility rules.

## ALL STUDENTS, PLAYERS, & FANS

- 1. Dress neatly for games; you are representing the school everywhere you go! Present yourself in a respectful manner.
- 2. No hats should be worn in any public building.
- 3. You must stay in the gym while the game clock is running.
- 4. Never run in a building, except in the gymnasium while participating in the athletic contest.
- 5. Your Christian witness is a must, both at home and at away games. You represent Jesus, so make sure your conduct is becoming of a Christian. Rowdy behavior, including booing, noise during free throws, etc., will not be tolerated.
- 6. There will be no "sideline shooting" while other teams are warming up.
- 7. There will be no "shooting around" before or after scheduled games, either home or away.
- 8. Once you are in the building, you must stay in the building. If you the leave the building without the permission of a school staff member, you will be sent home.
- 9. Observe and obey all refreshment and food rules at all games, both home and away.

I have read through the Athletic Handbook. I agree to do my best to respond as a disciple of Christ in all my communication. I understand and will abide by the rules and policies set forth by the Athletic Program at St. Paul's Lutheran School. I understand not following the rules and policies could affect my position on the team.

Athlete's Signature

My child has shared the code of behavior rules for athletic events with me. I support the rules as outlined above.

Parent's Signature

Date

My child, \_\_\_\_\_\_ will participate in athletics at St. Paul's Lutheran School for the 2025-2026 school year. I understand that I will not hold the school responsible for insurance coverage because I have my own insurance policy.

Parent's Signature

Updated July 2025

Date

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