

# CODE OF CONDUCT

## Sportsmanship with Ethics and Integrity

Avon Middle School South is committed to fair play, ethical behavior, and integrity. The values of good citizenship and positive behavioral standards apply equally to all school activities for students, athletes and fans.

Unacceptable behavior includes, but is not limited to, the following: Being disrespectful or making derogatory comments towards players, coaches, opposing fans, or officials in a manner that draws attention will be subject to disciplinary action taken by the principal or his designee. Any student, parent, or spectators who exhibit the above behaviors are subject to the following:

1. Removal from the premises by the principal, school official or law enforcement
2. Suspension from attending future contests.
3. Charges file with law enforcement.
4. Exclusion from other extra-curricular events.

**\*\*STUDENT BEHAVIOR AT SCHOOL CAN IMPACT ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION;  
SEE STUDENT HANDBOOK\*\***

## Academic Eligibility Requirements

Students involved in extracurricular activities who earn an "F" grade on a report card or a midterm shall be placed on probationary status. This means that the student may continue to practice with his or her team, but cannot participate in games, meets, matches, etc. for a period of three (3) weeks. At the end of the three week probationary period, the student will become eligible if all his or her academic grades are above failing status. If said student is unable to have passing grades after the three week check, he/she will be dismissed from the athletic team for the remainder of the season. If a student has a failing grade at the end of the nine weeks they will remain on probationary status until the midterm of the next nine week grading period. The midterm will determine if the student remains on probation status or is allowed full eligibility.

## Attendance at School

Attendance at school is an expectation of our student-athletes. Per the AMSS Student Handbook, A student is not allowed to attend or participate in after school activities if he/she is not in attendance on that day. Student-Athletes must attend a minimum of four of the seven class periods to be eligible for the practice/game that day. \*\*See Team Rules for more specific information.\*\*

## Communication with Coaches

Athletic achievement requires sincere commitment from all athletes, parents, coaches, and administrators. For all of us to be successful, effective communication must occur.

The school athletic department and administration believe strongly in being accessible to parents and supportive of the coaching staff.

We are continually attempting to improve communication with the students and parents. For our program to be truly successful, it is necessary that everyone understand the focus and direction of the program. The expectation is Avon Middle School South sports will take priority over outside sports team practices and games.

It is reasonable to expect your child's coach to inform you: when and where practices and contests are held, about his/her coaching philosophy, about the expectations he/she has for all athletes on the squad, as well as your individual child, what is required to be a part of the team, i.e., fees, special equipment, etc, and should disciplinary action result in your son/daughter being denied participation in a practice or contest.

It is inappropriate to discuss with a coach: playing time, team strategy or play calling, or other student athletes.

**Procedure for Concerns:**

1. Make an appointment with the coach, please do not attempt to confront a coach before, during or following a contest or practice.
2. If the coach cannot be reached, call the Athletic Director to set up a meeting with the coach.
3. If your meeting or discussion with the coach does not result in a resolution to the problem, please contact the Athletic Department to discuss the situation. At this meeting the appropriate next step can be determined.

**AVON MIDDLE SCHOOL SOUTH HONOR CODE**

**HONESTY**

I will not take unfair advantage of members of my school or community. I will be trustworthy, both to myself and others.

**PRIDE**

I will let the foundation of my spirit begin with pride in myself, my school and my community. I will let my pride swell my heart, not my head.

**LEADERSHIP**

I will not abuse nor take advantage of my position of leadership. I will set a positive example for others through dedication and commitment to my school and community.

**RESPECT**

I will conduct myself in a manner that portrays self-respect and dignity. I will be open-minded to others' opinions, ideas and points of view.