

# **Lyndon B. Johnson Middle School**



## **Boys & Girls Basketball Student-Athlete Contract**

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## Philosophy

Middle School athletics supplement and support the academic mission of JMS and assist students in their growth and development. Athletics assist in promoting the importance of teamwork, effort, goals, leadership, and commitment. Middle School athletics is highly competitive, but winning is not the primary measure of success. Sportsmanship, respect for participants, and dignity in the face of adversity are more important than the outcome of the contest. All athletes do not perform at the same level, but all can demonstrate effort, dedication, and fair play.

## Sportsmanship

An important mission of the JMS athletics program is to teach and reinforce values relating to sportsmanship, competition, and fair play. It is expected that team personnel, parents, and spectators respect this mission by exhibiting appropriate behavior at athletic events.

## Student Eligibility Requirements

Students must meet the following requirements to be eligible to participate. Participation of ineligible students may result in team sanctions, including forfeits for the team.

1. All participants are required to have a valid Physical on file with the Athletic Director (EL2 & EL3)
2. In order to compete, student-athletes must have a 2.0 GPA (no F's) with all classes. A grade of F will result in missing games until brought up. A grade of a D allows the student-athlete to participate but he/she will be required to attend study halls that are provided before school in order to attend games until grades are brought back up.
3. **Students must attend all of their scheduled classes in order to participate in a practice or contest on that day.** If the principal or designee grants an excused absence in advance for a prescheduled activity, or an unforeseen emergency, the student may participate on that day.
4. In addition to other infractions, a student may be suspended or removed from a team for unexcused absences or chronic tardiness to team practices or classes.
5. Students who are 15 years old, or older, prior to Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> of the current school year are ineligible to participate.
6. A student may not participate when he/she is serving an in-school or out-of-school suspension. The student may become eligible to participate on the next school day following the suspension at the discretion of administration.
7. FIGHTING IS AUTOMATIC REMOVAL FROM THE TEAM.
8. Students and their parents must sign the Basketball contract.

## Student Athletes

The following standards are required of all student athletes.

1. Exhibit public behavior that will reflect positively on the team, school, and community. Athletes should not be engaged in any activity that would result in police intervention.
2. Exhibit responsible, respectful, and trustworthy behavior to teammates and the coach.
3. Exert efforts to maintain a high level of academic achievement.
4. Comply with all team, school, and school system rules, regulations, and policies.
5. Exhibit appropriate behavior at all team and school-related activities.
6. Attend all team functions unless ill or given prior permission to be absent by the coach.
7. Respect and comply with decisions made by the coach and athletic department.

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8. Respect calls and decisions made by officials.
9. Display good sportsmanship at all times.

## **Assumption of Risk**

Participation in middle school athletic activities often includes intense competition and poses the potential for injury. Participants and parents are urged to consider that there are inherent risks and hazards associated with athletic participation. Risks vary from sport-to-sport and can occur under direct supervision and with use of proper safety equipment. Although coaching staff will attempt to limit all risk taken students athletes must still take on this assumption that injuries can happen. This includes COVID related illness as outlined in the COVID-19 Voluntary Extracurricular Activities Waiver signed prior to tryouts.

## **Transportation / Pickup Policy**

All athletes who attend away games are required to ride the team bus to the game site. Current bus seating guidelines, mask wearing, and social distancing guidelines apply as they do in school. **There is NO return bus from the game site. Parents are required to pick up their student athlete after the game. Parents will sign out their athlete with the coaching staff thus releasing the staff from supervision.**

## **Communication with Coaches**

Parents should not attempt to address coaches immediately after games and practices. Coaches have many post game/practice responsibilities, including supervision of players. Also, the post-game /practice period is often emotionally charged, and not conducive to productive discussion. If a parent feels a need to communicate a concern, the parent should contact the coach and/or athletic director via email with their concerns or to arrange a later meeting.

## **Closed Practices**

Due to district security policy, potential contact tracing due to COVID-19 district RTA plan, and the inability to check in adults through the front office at all times, team practices and tryouts are closed to non-players.

## **Fees/Uniforms**

In order to keep the cost of athletics as low as possible student athletes will check out their team uniform and be held responsible for maintaining it. Loss or damage to the uniform will be replaced at the expense of the student-athlete / parent. **Also each athlete is required to purchase at least 1 item for the concession stand as well as a \$30 fee for the team warm up which the athlete will keep.**

## **Additional COVID-19 RTA Plan Rules and Procedures**

Prior to all practices and games each athlete will be subject to temperature monitoring and a short questionnaire as a prescreen to participation. If the student is found to have a temperature at or above 100\* or indicates potential exposure according to the questionnaire that student will not be allowed to participate and will possibly begin quarantine protocol as determined by the school administrator. Athletes will be required to wear face masks prior to practice/games, during bus rides to and from games, and any time when not participating in the game or practice. This includes while on the bench

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during games. If a student chooses to do so they may wear a mask during practices and while participating in the games however it is not required.

Athletes must supply their own water and must not share with others. Personal use of towels and athletic wear is expected and must not be shared with others. District social distancing guidelines must be adhered to whenever possible.

**Failure to abide by the above listed standards can result in removal from the team.**

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I have read and understand the boys/girls basketball student-athlete contract and agree to conduct myself under its guidelines. If I fail to do so I understand that the student-athlete may be removed from the team.

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Student Athlete Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_