



Miyamura High School

Parent/Student Athletic Handbook

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MIYAMURA HIGH SCHOOL

ATHLETIC AND ACTIVITY CODE

NOTE TO PARENTS:

It is the responsibility of parents and students to read and familiarize themselves with the terms and requirements of the Athletics and Activity Code. A student or his/her parent/guardian may obtain an explanation of any part of this Code from the Athletic Director or Principal.

The parent/guardian and student are required to sign the attached form to acknowledge that the code has been read and is understood by the student and the parent/guardian, and they agree to be bound by it.

Coaches and sponsors are not permitted to allow a student to practice, play, or otherwise participate in their particular sport or activity until that student's signed acknowledgment form has been returned to the coach or sponsor.

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

A. The development of character and proper conduct that is promoted by athletics and activities is central to the educational mission of the school.
B. Students who are involved in Athletics/Activities are held to a higher standard of behavior because they are representatives of their school, and serve as role models for others.
C. Participation in all athletics and activities is a privilege offered to students, and may be withdrawn on the basis of a failure to adhere to high standards of personal conduct and ethical behavior.
D. As it is impossible to have a regulation for every possible circumstance, professional judgment will be used by coaches, sponsors, and administrators in situations not covered by a specific written rule or guideline.
E. In addition to the specific standards set forth in this Code, the student's membership and participation, including any disciplinary action, will be determined on the basis of the student's attitude, punctuality, and attendance, and on the basis of the welfare and best interest of the team or group, the school, and other school district.
F. It is the responsibility of parents and students to familiarize themselves with the terms and requirements of the Athletics and Activity Code. A student or his/her parent/guardian may obtain an explanation of any part of this Code from the Administration.
G. All standards, rules, and requirements in this Miyamura High School Athletics and Activities Code are in addition to the applicable standards, rules, and requirements of the New Mexico Activities Association (NMAA). Parents or students who wish to review the NMAA code and/or the Gallup McKinley County Schools Athletics/Activities Handbook may request an opportunity to do so from the Athletic Director or Principal.

WHAT SPORTS ARE OFFERED?

The philosophy of our interscholastic athletic program is to play the best competition available. This commitment to excellence will produce a program that will be recognized and respected throughout the state. Miyamura High School is a member of the New Mexico Activities Association, the state governing agency, and District 1-4A.

Miyamura High School offers a variety of sports:

FALL	WINTER	SPRING
Football	Boys and Girls Basketball	Baseball
Cross Country	Wrestling	Softball
Volleyball	Swimming	Spring Boys & Girls Golf
*Cheer	Powerlifting	Track
*Dance		Boys and Girls Tennis
Boys and Girls Soccer		
Fall Boys & Girls Golf		

* Cheerleading and Dance are considered a full school year sport.

Pre-Participation Physical Examinations
All Miyamura High School athletes, prior to being allowed to participate, must have a physical examination from a physician (MD or DO) licensed to practice in New Mexico. **The physical must have been conducted after April 1 and is effective for the following school year**. It is encouraged that a copy of the physical be retained by the student athlete.

The purpose of this examination is to determine the athlete's general fitness for participation in athletics. It should NOT be seen as medical evaluation and cannot be viewed as a comprehensive medical examination or a substitute for general medical care by your physician.

Can I take my child to my own doctor?
Parents may choose to take their child to their private physician (MD or DO) at their own expense for this pre-participation examination. All private examinations must be recorded on the forms provided by the school system.

What if the athlete plays more than one sport?
Any athlete who plays more than one sport needs only to update his/her file. If any significant medical changes have occurred since the last physical, the athlete may be asked to obtain new clearance from his/her physician.

Insurance
Miyamura High School policy requires all athletes to be covered by insurance (health and accident). This can be done in two ways:

1. By having family insurance. If this is the case, please indicate on the permission to participate form in the appropriate section (page 2 of physical form)
2. By subscribing to insurance through the school.
    a. Football players can obtain football insurance forms from the Athletic office or from the coach. This covers football injuries only.
    All other sports are covered by the policy offered through the school each year at a nominal rate.

I. CODE OF CONDUCT DURING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

The Student Activity Conduct Guidelines designate expectations for the students who participate in extra-curricular activities such as athletics, music ensembles, debate, speech, cheerleading, drill team, drama, academic decathlon, and other school sponsored performances and/or competitions. Student performances and/or competitions in extra-curricular activities, which contribute to a grade in academic classes, are not included in this activity conduct code. In addition to the behavioral expectations detailed in the Gallup McKinley County School Board Policies, extra-curricular activity participants are expected to follow specific behavioral and eligibility guidelines included within the Student Activity Conduct Guidelines. The student activity conduct expectations set out in this code are applicable to and binding upon each student during the season a student is a member of an extra-curricular activity or an athletic team.

Disciplinary actions under this code shall be imposed on the basis of the best interests of the team or squad, and the best educational interests of the student to be disciplined.

A. Prohibited Conduct

1. A student shall be **removed or suspended** from any sport or activity for any of the following conduct **regardless of whether such conduct takes place on or off campus**, and regardless of whether such conduct takes place during school hours or at any other time. Students charged with or suspected of the following conduct may be suspended from their sport or activity pending any investigation.
    a. **The use or possession of alcohol, drugs, or attendance at a party or other gathering at which any of the foregoing substances are being used**.
    b. **Fighting, trespassing, vandalism, theft, or other illegal or disorderly conduct**, regardless of whether such conduct results in arrest, prosecution, or conviction. In addition, any student who has been arrested for any reason may be suspended from all sports and activities pending his or her exoneration from the charges.
    c. **Hazing**, which, for purposes of this code, includes, but is not limited to engaging in any offensive physical contact or restraint of another student, or requiring or encouraging a student to perform any dangerous, offensive, or demeaning physical or verbal act for any purpose, including as a condition of membership or initiation into any team or group sponsored by, or permitted to operate under the auspices of a school district, provided that such contact, restraint, requirement, or encourage shall not be considered hazing when it is an officially recognized part of the particular sport or activity of the team or group.

2. Except as otherwise provided herein, a **student who quits or is dismissed** from a team or activity **will not be allowed to participate in any sport or activity until the end of the season** of that sport or the term of the activity in which he or she was participating prior to resignation or dismissal.

VIII. 12.17 ATHLETIC/ACTIVITY DRUG & ALCOHOL POLICY *(K-12)* (Usage/Possession/Sale or Distribution)

PHILOSOPHY: Athletics and Activities are an integral part of the educational process providing students with opportunity to further develop their unique capabilities, interests and needs beyond the classroom environment. Participation in these programs is a PRIVILEGE offered to and earned by students. Because participants are representatives of their school and community, their conduct is expected to exemplify high standards at all times. The following applies when students, who are members of a district's athletic or activity programs, are in violation of the usage, possession, sale, or distribution of the district's drug and alcohol policies, 12.15(a), (b), (c), and 12.16. This policy applies to participants during each sports/activity season and requires twenty-four (24) hour compliance, on and off campus.

NOTE: "Confirmed Offense" is defined as an eyewitness report by a school district employee, information substantiated by a police report, a statement of self-incrimination or other credible evidence. (08: 16:99)

THEN THIS HAPPENS

Elementary and Secondary Schools (K-12)

1st Offense: Parent-participant-coach-sponsor-administrator conference.

a. Students involved in an athletic/activity program will **forfeit their privilege of participation for the duration of the current sport/activity season or forty-five (45) school day period**, whichever is longer. Students will also forfeit their eligibility for all relevant awards, honors, or letters. Any suspension will automatically cease at the conclusion of the school year.

b. "On Campus" violations or infractions occurring "to, from or at" extracurricular events will result in notification to the appropriate law enforcement agency or juvenile authorities and then a referral of the students to the Hearing Authority. Appropriate discipline recommendations will be made consistent with substance abuse policies, VIII 12.15 (a), (b), (c), and 12.16.

c. Students will be required to abide with district drug and alcohol counseling program requirements.

2nd Offense: Parent-participant-coach-sponsor-administrator conference.

a. Students involved in an athletic/activity program will **forfeit their privilege of participation in all extracurricular programs for the remainder of the school year.**

3rd Offense: Parent-participant-coach-sponsor-administrator conference

a. Students involved in an athletic/activity program will forfeit their privilege of participation in all extracurricular programs for 365 days.

B. School Attendance

1. A student is expected to attend a minimum of **51% school day** to be eligible to **participate in a practice, competition**, activity or performance scheduled on the same date.
2. Athletes are expected to be at practice and school the day before any Saturday competition.
3. **Participation in evening activity or competitions should not affect school attendance** on the following day. When performing or competing during the school day, students are expected to return to classes immediately after the event.
4. Students placed on **suspension will not be allowed to practice or compete** in contests during the suspension period.

C. Conduct on Trips

Student-athletes are regarded as representatives of Miyamura High School and are expected to conduct themselves as ladies and gentlemen, as well as the best examples of Miyamura High School students, on and off the playing fields and courts. Students on trips for activities or athletic contests remain subject to all rules and standards applicable under school and district codes and policies.

1. GMCS District Athletic Handbook (C.11) states that, “team members and coaches are expected to travel to and from events on the district transportation provided for the competition.”

D. Returning From Out-Of-Town Contests and Events

1. To promote team unity, student-athletes will return from all out-of-town contests with their squads and by school transportation.
2. A parent or guardian seeking an exception from this rule must seek the permission of the coach and **sign a GMCS district sign out sheet for each event.**

3. Student-athletes are not permitted, under any circumstances, to return from an out of town contest other than by **school transportation or with a parent or guardian** upon the permission of the coach and signing the GMCS district sign out sheet. Student-athletes who return home with any other person shall be subject to discipline.

E. PROCEDURE WHEN LEAVING A SQUAD

1. Changing Sports

i. Athletes will be allowed to **transfer from one sport to another during a given season** only upon **mutual agreement of both coaches** and with the approval of the Athletic Director.

ii. A student who **quits a sport or is dismissed from a sport during the season will not be eligible to participate in the pre-season practice of another sport**. For example, it would be necessary to wait until the fall sport season ends before joining a winter sports team and so forth.

2. Quitting or Being Dropped from a Squad

i. **Notify the Head Coach in writing**, explaining the reason for quitting the team, when dropping an activity or sport.

ii. **Turn in all school gear the same day**.

F. INJURY REPORTS

1. If athlete is injured in a sport the student or parent need to make sure the Athletic Trainer/Coach/Athletic Director has **filled out an injury report and submitted it to the Athletic Office** and the Principal's Office of MHS. Injury reports are submitted to GMCS Central offices and are confidential.
2. If a player is injured and goes to the doctor, a doctor's note with a doctor's signature must be submitted before the athlete can participate again.
3. Student athletes or their parents are responsible for initiating the insurance claim if an injury resulted in ambulance service, doctor's care, or hospital expenses. Remember: insurance companies have no way of knowing about an injury unless they informed through a claim form.
4. **CONCUSSION COURSE:** All athletes must complete a Concussion Course through NFHS before they can participate. A course completion certificate will be kept on file with the Head Coach.
5. Consent to Treat Form – **Beginning school year (19-20)**, the Consent to Treat form must be signed by a parent or legal guardian prior to participation. This form will provide consent to allow qualified medical providers (QMP) to provide sports medicine related services to student-athletes in the absence of a parent or legal guardian. This form will ensure student-athletes have access to available medical care while also creating consistency amongst schools and medical providers.

G. EQUIPMENT/GYMNASIUM USE

1. Athletic Equipment

i. In most sports, practice and/or game equipment will be issued to athletes. **Athletes will be responsible for care and custody of all equipment issued to them**.

ii. All equipment will be returned when the athlete finishes the sport either at the end of the season or upon dropping the sport. **Any equipment not returned shall be paid for by the student, and failure to pay for such equipment will cause the athlete to be ineligible to compete in the next sport season.** Once fees and fines are paid in full or payment plan has been approved the athlete will become eligible to compete again.

iii. The athlete will pay for equipment that is lost, or stolen or destroyed through the negligence of the students.

iv. The cost of unreturned lost, stolen, or destroyed equipment will be determined by the

coach and will be **based on replacement cost of the equipment**. New equipment will be issued only upon receipt for lost article(s).

v. School owned equipment is to be worn only at scheduled practice or official contests.

vi. Sale of equipment to students, whether new or used, is prohibited by law, and will not be permitted.

2. Gymnasium Use

i. No individuals or groups are permitted to use the gymnasium at any time without authorized supervision and an approved facility use agreement.

ii. No one may use or be present in the gymnasium during team or squad practices, except spectators who have obtained the permission of a coach.

iii. Athletes in the gymnasiums for practice will be refrained from using equipment other than that for their sport.

iv. No one is permitted in the weight room without authorized teacher/coach supervision.

H. OTHER RULES

1. Student-Athletes representing Miyamura High School are to be in dress code at all times. Student-Athletes are held to a higher standard and are expected to follow all rules and regulations of Miyamura High School. **Student-athletes not in dress code will be subject to potential loss of playing time, suspensions or removal from teams by the head coach or MHS administration**.
2. Coaches may establish team rules that exceed the Athletic/Activities Code requirements upon prior approval by the Athletic Director.
3. Coaches may establish curfews for athletes in order to enhance preparation for competitions.
4. Coaches may impose, and enforce by appropriate means, standards regarding attendance, punctuality, and attitude.
5. Students who **violate team rules**, curfews, or standards shall be subject to curtailment of playing time, suspensions from games, and suspension or dismissal from teams or activities.
6. Students **whose conduct is detrimental to team** cohesiveness or success shall be subject to curtailment playing time, suspensions from games, and suspension or dismissal from teams or activities. **The use of social media outlets (Facebook, Twitter, etc.) by student athletes in a negative manner is looked upon as conduct detrimental to a team as well.**
7. Miyamura High School is **not responsible for items stolen** out of locker rooms, whether the locker is locked or not. Students are encouraged to **not** have items of value (cell phones/electronic devices/money, etc.) in their possession while at MHS or on school sponsored trips. MHS and our coaches are not responsible for the theft or loss of any items.
8. GMCS scholar athletes will be allowed to **add, change or drop a class during the first two weeks of a semester**. Instructors will be notified of the change by the school counselor or principal immediately. The grade in the class at the time of the change and the grade in the class changed to, will be combined to calculate the scholar athlete's GPA for the grading period. Scholar athletes should take a complete, full academic course load. The scholar athlete will not be allowed to drop a class to affect his or her grade point average for participation in athletics or activities.
9. Coaches may require study hall for any or all of their athletes.

Eligibility Requirements - New Mexico Activities Association

ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS FOR ATHLETICS/ACTIVITIES

The standards set by the NMAA are to be used to determine student eligibility for athletic and nonathletic interscholastic activity participation. Students athletes are governed by the Gallup McKinley County Schools Board Policy with regards to their conduct as members of a school sponsored extracurricular activity. During scheduled contest, the participants' behavior is supervised by certified officials and coaching staffs. Student athletes and coaches are ineligible for practice or games during suspension from school. This policy applies to in-school and out of school suspensions and extended to adjoining weekend games. Technical fouls and unsportsmanlike conduct should be reviewed immediately after the infractions to prevent their reoccurrence.

In order to participate in activities sanctioned by New Mexico Activities Association (NMAA**), a student must meet all NMAA and Gallup-McKinley County Schools (GMCS) eligibility requirements. The student must be enrolled in a minimum of four classes, based on a 7 period day (51% of the school day). A student shall have a 2.0 GPA with no F's, based on a 4.0 grading scale, for the semester grading period immediately preceding participation.**

A. **The student must be in attendance the day before (if the event is on a weekend) and the day of an activity/event. In the event of illness or extenuating circumstances, notification by the parent, to the appropriate administrator, or head coach, teacher or sponsor, must be made before allowing the student to participate in that contest**. After or during an injury or illness, the parents or physician must give written permission for the student to participate.

B. Eligibility Procedures
   1. A formal eligibility check will take place approximately every four weeks by the athletic director. It will occur during the district progress report time. Coaches, teachers and sponsors will be notified of students receiving grades of D+ and below. A student who has a D+ or lower at time of report will be required to attend tutoring and this could affect their playing time.
   2. Students who have attended tutoring sessions but have not raised a failing grade(s) to a passing grade may, at the discretion of the coach, be required to continue tutoring sessions until the end of the grading period.
   3. At the end of each grading period, Miyamura High School will follow the New Mexico Activities Association academic eligibility requirements for all interscholastic activities in determining a student's academic eligibility for the following grading period.

C. If there is a question about a grade or deficiency, coaches, teachers and sponsors shall inquire through the appropriate administrator. **Any grade changes effecting eligibility have to be done within seven days of the final grades being issued. This requires the instructor of the course completing a grade change form and submitting it to the registrar's office.**

SPECIFIC RULES

A. Eligibility Rules

It is the responsibility of the athlete to meet all eligibility requirements to participate in interscholastic athletic program. No student shall be eligible to participate in any given interscholastic sport if the athlete has engaged in the sport professionally. In addition, **THEY ARE NOT ELIGIBLE**:

1. If there is no **parental consent** form on file in the administration office.
2. If they do not have an annual **physical examination** as specified. This examination must occur after April 1 and is effective for the following school year.

3. If they have not completed the mandatory NFHS Concussion for Students course.
4. If the Consent to Treat Form is not signed and returned to the coach.
3. If they are **nineteen years of age** or older before 12:01 a.m. on September 1st of the current school year.
4. If they have **attended high school for more than eight (8) semesters**. Ten (10) days of attendance or playing in one contest constitutes a semester.
5. If they have previously participated in five (5) seasons in a sport, four (4) of which occurred in grades 9-12.
6. Minimum Requirements: if the student does not pass 51% of the school day and not fail more than one, maintain a grade point average of 2.0 for the previous grading period. A student is allowed to make up one semester class during summer school.
7. If they have changed schools this semester, students must follow the NMAA guidelines for enrollment and transfer.
8. Non-resident students are prohibited from participating or practice in any interscholastic athletics, drill teams, or cheerleading squads until 180 school days attendance has been completed in the school to which the transfer was granted or until the parents or legal guardians are residents in the Miyamura High School District.
9. If they have ever accepted an award for their high school participation from an outside source other than an inexpensive, unframed, uncounted paper certificate of recognition, or if they received any money for expenses or otherwise for their participation in an athletic contest.
10. If they have competed on an outside school team (as a team member or as an individual) while out for a sport and during the sport season without the previous written consent of their principal i.e. Dual Participation.
11. If they have ever trained with a college squad or have participated in a college event.
12. If their personal habit and conduct in and out of school are such as to make them unworthy to represent the ideals, principals, and standards of their school.

B. STUDENT TRANSFER AND INTERSCHOLASTIC COMPETITION ACTIVITIES

When a student transfers to Miyamura High, the athlete and parents/guardians must meet with administration before practice can begin. A Form C and a Form A will have to be completed and the NMAA will rule on whether a student is eligible to participate and at what level. Here is what the steps are….

1. Student must be enrolled at Miyamura with all prior high school transcripts available and proof of address (utility bill, lease agreement, etc)
2. Meet with administration at Miyamura High to fill out Form A and Form C and admin will attach transcripts and proof of address
3. Admin will send documentation to NMAA and we will get a response in 3-5 days.

When a student transfers to Miyamura High School from outside their attendance area, the student is ineligible to compete unless the parent/legal guardian and the student effect a bona fide change of residence to the Miyamura High District. A bona fide change of residence must result in all household goods being transferred from the previous residence, the parents or guardians must actually reside day and night at the new address, and change in residence has not represented an attempt to circumvent the intent of the transfer rule. A bona fide change of residence may also occur when the family unit has been disrupted as a result of divorce, separation, or other circumstances beyond the control of the students.

For more information, please visit the NMAA Handbook, https://www.nmact.org/file/Section_6.pdf or ask Mrs. Dooley for further clarification.

C. NMAA Disqualification/Ejection Policy

7.7.2 NMAA Game/Contest Ejection/Disqualification Policy

The following policy is established pursuant to NMAA Bylaw 2.2.2, "Executive Director – Duties and Responsibilities". This policy is intended to complement the NMAA Sportsmanship program, "Compete with Class."

A. Parent/Fan Ejections

The local school/district may establish policies for removal/restriction of parents/fans from games/contests in addition to game management requests from game/contest officials. Parents and fans who are ejected must minimally complete one of the following pertinent NFHS Learn sportsmanship courses and submit certificate of completion to the school Athletic Director prior to returning to attendance: "Sportsmanship" or "Positive Sport Parenting." The local school/district may also establish additional sanctions/guidelines for return to attendance. See also NMAA Bylaw 7.7.4.

B. Participant – First Ejection/Disqualification

1. One game/contest suspension – same level, may not participate at any level until all sanctions are completed.
2. Complete the NFHSLearn "Sportsmanship" course, submit certificate of completion to the school Athletic Director.

Participant – Second Ejection/Disqualification

1. Two game/contest suspension – same level, may not participate at any level until all sanctions are completed.
2. Attend a meeting with the NMAA Executive Director/designee
3. A local sanction as determined by the local school athletic director and approved by the NMAA, if necessary.

Participant – Third Ejection/Disqualification

1. Student athlete is removed from athletic competition for 180 school days / 365 calendar days.
2. Attend a meeting with the NMAA Executive Director/designee prior to participation, if applicable.

Participant – Battery (the use of force against another resulting in harmful or offensive contact)

1. Suspension from 15% of the sport's game limitations – same level, may not participate at any level until all sanctions are completed. The "15% of the sport's game limitation" will be rounded up to determine the final suspension (i.e. sub-varsity football has a game limitation of 9; 15% of 9 is 1.35 so the suspension is 2 games).
2. Complete the NFHSLearn "Sportsmanship" course, submit certificate of completion to the Athletic Director.
3. Attend a meeting with the NMAA Executive Director.
4. A local sanction as determined by the local school administration and approved by the NMAA, if necessary.
5. Any subsequent ejection will result in a student athlete being removed from athletic competition for 180 school days/365 calendar days.

Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct and Expectations:

The purpose of the Parent Code is to develop parental support and positive role models in our athletic programs. In the tradition of excellence, one purpose of our athletic program at Miyamura High School is to promote the physical, mental, moral, social and emotional well being of each student. Parents/guardians are an integral part of this process.

Expectations:

As a Miyamura High School parent/guardian of a student athlete, I agree to:

~ Be a positive role model for my child, the school and the community.
~ Display a positive attitude and appropriate behavior.
~ Compete with class and refrain from unsportsmanlike, derogatory, threatening or demeaning posts about other teams, coaches and officials on social media (Facebook, Twitter, SnapChat, etc.)
~ Show respect for all participants, officials, and coaches.
~ Encourage my child to attend school regularly and excel academically.
~ Assist in providing for student safety and welfare at all times.
~ Inform my child of the dangers of using and discourage the use of any illegal drugs, alcohol or tobacco.

Failure to adhere to these guidelines may result in consequences that include suspension from attending NMAA & GMCS sanctioned events.

Parent/Coach Relationship

We are very pleased that your son/daughter has chosen to participate in the Miyamura High School athletic program. We will do all we can to provide a positive experience for him/her. Possibly the most important ingredient to achieve this outcome is to ensure that lines of communication are developed to allow for an open and easy resolution of questions before they become conflicts. As a parent, you have a right to know what expectations are placed on your daughter/son. This pamphlet is intended to spell out all levels of communication so that parents, coaches, and athletes are aware of the steps that they have available to resolve anything they think is an issue or might become an issue.

Communication you should expect from your child's coach:

1. Philosophy of the coach.
2. Expectations the coach has for your child.
3. Locations and times of all practices and games
4. Team requirements, i.e. fees, special equipment, off-season conditioning, etc.
5. Procedure to follow should your child become injured during participation.
6. Participants conduct of code and discipline that result in the denial of your child's participation.
7. Requirements to earn a letter.
8. Insurance information.
9. Disposition of lost/outstanding equipment at the end of the season.

Issues not appropriate to discuss with coaches:

1. Playing time.
2. Team strategy.
3. Play calling.
4. Matters concerning other student athletes.

There are situations that may require a conference between the coach and the parent. These are to be encouraged. It is important that both parties involved have a clear understanding of the other person's position. When these conferences are necessary, the following procedure should be followed to help promote a resolution to the issue of concern.

If you have a concern to discuss with a coach, please follow the procedure below:

1. Call to set up an appointment.
2. The Miyamura High School number is 505-721-1900.
3. If the coach cannot be reached after reasonable times, call Taylor Ramirez, Athletic Director, at 505-721-1900. She will arrange the appointment for you.
4. Please ***DO NOT*** attempt to confront a coach before or after a contest, or at practice. These can be emotional times for both the parent and the coach. Meetings of this nature do not promote resolutions and even exacerbate the issue.

The next step:

What can a parent do if the meeting with the coach did not provide a satisfactory resolution?

1. Call and set up an appointment with the athletic director to discuss the situation.
2. At this meeting the appropriate next step can be determined.

Since research indicates a student involved in extra-curricular activities has a greater chance for success during adulthood, these programs have been established and encouraged. Many of the character traits required to be a successful participant in athletics are exactly those that will promote a successful life after high school. We hope the information provided within this pamphlet will help to make the Miyamura athletic program less stressful and more enjoyable for
both you and your child.

Gallup McKinley County Schools' follow the chain of command listed below. We ask that you observe this as a means of communication effectively to resolve your concerns.

1. Coach of that team
2. Head Coach
3. Athletic Director- Taylor Ramirez

SPORTSMANSHIP

PLAYER'S ROLE

The role of the players in sportsmanship is second in importance only to that of the coach. Players are admired and respected by students of all levels as well as adult spectators. They have significant influence over the actions and behavior of spectators of all ages.

Required Responsibilities:

1. Accept and understand the seriousness of their responsibility and privilege of representing the school and community.
2. Learn the rules thoroughly and discuss them with parents, fans, fellow students, and elementary students. This will assist everyone in the achievement of a better understanding and appreciation of the game.
3. Cooperate with coaches and always exercise good sportsmanship by living by the rules and roles stated.
4. Only the captain may communicate with the officials of an athletic event or activity on the clarification of rules. It is his/her responsibility to communicate what was said back to his/her teammates and/or coach.
5. Always respect the officials' judgment and interpretation of the rules. Never argue or make non-verbal gestures, which indicate disagreement. This type of immature activity may incite undesirable behavior in the stands and by teammates.
6. Congratulate opponents in a sincere manner following either victory or defeat. This is a true measure of character.
7. Treat opponents with the respect that accorded a guest of friend.
8. Shake hands with opponents prior to the contest and wish them luck.

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Athletics/Activities Code Acknowledgement Form

The undersigned parent/guardian and student state that:

1. They have read the Miyamura High School Athletic/Activities Code.
2. They understand its terms and conditions.
3. Any questions they many have had, have been answered by the coach, sponsor, or athletic director; and
4. They agree to be bound by the terms, conditions, rules and standards of the Miyamura High School Athletic Activities Code.

_____ _____

Parent/Guardian Signature Date

_____

Parent/Guardian Print Name

_____ _____

Student Signature Date

_____

Student Print Name