



## EVERGREEN JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

### Participant Contract



**Dear Student and Parent:** Evergreen Junior High School welcomes your participation in our activities program. The following participant responsibilities give you direction as you choose to participate.

#### PARTICIPANT RESPONSIBILITY

1. Participants will display a cooperative attitude toward the coaching staff, a willingness to learn and to participate, and to work with other team members.
2. Participants shall be required to display good sportsmanship while participating in practice and games. Participants may be removed from practice or games if they exhibit poor citizenship or engage in acts of unsportsmanlike conduct.
3. Participants will attend all practices and games at the times designated by the coach unless otherwise excused by the coach at the request of the parents, or one of their teachers, or themselves.
4. Participants must be in the proper uniform for practice and games as stipulated under the rules and regulations formulated by the coach and provided to the participants and their parents.
5. A participant with an unexcused absence from a practice or a game will be declared ineligible to participate in the next game. A second unexcused absence will result in dismissal from the team for the remainder of that season. A participant who skips an after-school requirement (detention, 8<sup>th</sup> period, etc.) to practice or participate in a game will be required to fulfill his/her detention requirements prior to participating in the next game. If there are no additional games, the student will be disciplined in accordance with District policies and/or regulations.
6. Eligibility will be determined based on student performance on Work Ethic standards. Student performance on Work Ethic standards will be reported every Friday by noon, administration will review students' Work Ethic performance rates and determine students' eligibility each week. Students who perform at a novice level in two or more classes will not be allowed to participate in extracurricular activities for seven days (Saturday through Friday). A player may practice during the initial 7-day suspension if approved by the parent/guardian and the Principal or Assistant Principal. After the 7 days have elapsed, if the player has brought his /her work ethics performance, the player shall be reinstated only as long as he/she is continuing to meet the criteria as stated above. If the player slips backward again, the 7-day minimum suspension shall repeat itself until he/she is eligible. A player may not practice during the second suspension and will be removed from the team if failing for the third time.
7. A participant discovered to be using drugs (alcohol, intoxicants and all illegal drugs, including the unauthorized use/possession of prescription drugs) will be removed from all extracurricular activities in which he/she is currently participating until he/she has completed the Student Assistance Program. Substantiated "off school" violations will be treated in the same manner as "on school."
8. Violation of the Tobacco Policy will result in the removal of the student from any extracurricular team or activity for the remainder of the season.
9. Any major offense that results in a suspension from school is just cause for removal from a team for the remainder of the season.
10. A physical examination is required for each student in order to be considered eligible and to be approved for participation in athletics. Physical examinations must be completed prior to the first day of practice. This examination must be certified by a licensed medical professional acting within the scope and limitations of his/her practice. This certification is valid for a period of one school year. A physical examination conducted before May 1 is not valid for participation the following school year. Certification of the examination must be

documented in a form acceptable to Evergreen School officials and signed by the appropriate medical personnel. NOTE: Whenever specified that physical examinations shall be required or that doctors shall be present at certain events or that reports or physical examinations or certificates of physical fitness shall be furnished, the rules and regulations shall be deemed complied with if the services are performed within the scope and limitations of his/her practice. This complies with Section 33-22-111 of the Laws of Montana which provide for freedom of choice of practitioners.

11. Involvement in extracurricular activities presents the possibility of injury due to the participation itself, and/or incidental mishaps/accidents (including those that occur during travel). The School's position is to provide the extracurricular service, but it cannot share the responsibility of expenses due to accidents. All participants must be covered by accident insurance. A parent signature on the Participation Contract is evidence of such insurance.
12. Participants must read, understand and comply with all safety rules specified by their coaches
13. All students in any capacity with the team will travel to and from games on the team bus (however, in limited instances, student athletes may be transported by the student's parents/legal guardians when written notice is provided to school officials by the parent/legal guardian prior to transporting the child. Students may not be transported to and from games by anyone other than their parent or legal guardian, unless prearranged with administration at least one day in advance).
14. Any player who is absent from school all day will not be eligible to practice or play in a game on that day (this includes Saturdays in the event the absence occurs on a Friday). Players who violate this expectation will be suspended from participation in games/practices for a minimum of 5 full school days. Players who miss part of a school day (less than half) due to a documented appointment can participate in activities if that player attends at least four class periods in a school day. Students who miss part of a school day due to illness will not be allowed to participate in games or practices on that day (time spent in the school "sick/recovery room" will count as time absent for the purpose of this policy). This policy pertains to all students (players and managers included) who want to attend sporting events, dances, or other activities. Exceptions to this rule may be approved by the principal or athletic director due to extenuating circumstances (family emergencies, funerals, etc.).
15. When a player reaches ten tardies in a quarter (excessive tardies), he/she will be suspended from one game. Any additional tardies may result in the removal from the team.
16. Students who demonstrate un-sportsman like conduct will be immediately removed from the game. Future incidents may constitute a longer suspension or removal from the team.

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand all responsibilities and conditions stated above. As a participant and Citizen of Evergreen Jr. High School, I agree to these conditions for participation.

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Student Signature

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Date

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Home Phone

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Parent Signature

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Date

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Emergency Phone