DCP ATHLETICS PARENT/STUDENT ATHLETIC CONTRACT

I realize that it is a privilege to participate in all athletic activities at Downtown College Prep. Accordingly, I hereby agree to obey the following regulations and training rules set by Downtown College Prep, Private Schools Athletic League (PSAL), West Bay Athletic League (WBAL), and the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF). All athletes must complete all required documentation prior to participating in any tryout for any sport. All athletes, parents, guests, and fans, regardless of venue, circumstance or team must follow the Central Coast Section (CCS) regulations regarding sportsmanship or will be subject to immediate removal or disqualification.

Physical Exams:

- All athletes must have an annual physical release form and all other required documentation turned in to the Athletic Director prior to the first day of practice (no exceptions).
- These physicals are valid beginning July 1st of the new school year until June 30th of the current school year.
- A concussion and head injury information sheet shall be signed by the student and the student’s parent or guardian before initiating practice or competition.

Eligibility Requirements:

- To remain eligible, an athlete must maintain a 2.00 GPA unweighted at the end of each quarter. Failure to do so will result in the student becoming academically ineligible for the entirety of the follow quarter.
- Per CIF rules, athletes are only given 8 consecutive semesters of eligibility. 5th year seniors will not be eligible to participate in high school sports.

Team Commitments:

- All athletes are expected to attend ALL PRACTICES AND GAMES unless they are ill/injured and unable to attend school. If an athlete is ill/injured, but able to attend school, he/she is expected to attend and observe the practice sessions and contests.
- Attending practice is essential to the success of the team, so please schedule all medical/dental appointments around practices/games.
- Excessive absences/tardiness to practices or games will result in dismissal from the team at the discretion of the coach.
- Each athlete is required to attend all class periods of the school the day of a game to retain eligibility to participate. Exceptions are few, but may include scheduled doctor appointments, dentist appointments, etc. These commitments must be disclosed to the coach 24 hours in advance.
- Athletes who have more advanced skills/abilities will be challenged as well as those with less advanced skills and abilities. To provide equal playing time would compromise our program and the goals we have established. We will, in every instance, attempt to field a team that has the best chance of winning a game/match. We do not guarantee playing time and athletes must understand that if they are in the game they are there because they are contributing to the team’s success and not hurting the team.
- All players are encouraged to attend other games that are in season, both home and away. Supporting our fellow athletes is essential to the success of our programs.
- It is expected that all athletes will complete the season of sport once placed on a team. If an athlete quits the sport prior to the last game, he/she will not be able to try out for another team until the prior season has finished.

Parent Commitments:

- Parents are encouraged to help carpool athletes to and from practices and competitions.
- All drivers must provide their insurance declaration page showing limits of insurance along with providing a copy of their current license and insurance.
- Parents are responsible for being present when their child is dropped off. While we encourage coaches to stay until every child is picked up, it is not an expectation for coaches to wait an unreasonable amount of time.

Criteria for Awards:

- Awarding a varsity letter is at the discretion of the coach and Athletic Director if an 80% minimum contest/practice participation requirement is not met.

Behavior/Attitude:

- The use of alcohol/drugs is grounds for dismissal from the team. Please refer to the Drug/Alcohol/PED policy in the handbook.
- Athletes/parents shall direct any questions or concerns through proper channels of communication: first to his/her coach, then the Athletic Director, then Administration.
- All athletes are reminded that they represent Downtown College Prep both on and off campus and are expected to respect teammates, coaches, opponents, and officials and be representatives of our mission to our community at large. This includes, but is not limited to, behavior in any classroom and on social media sites. Gross violations of this trust can be grounds for dismissal from their respective team.
I understand the above Parent/Student Athlete Agreement as well as the rules and regulations of Downtown College Prep regarding student behavior as contained in the DCP Handbook, and agree to be bound by them. I understand that there are inherent risks involved with any athletic participation. I understand that this Parent/Student Athletics Agreement is in effect for the entire academic year.

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