

Parents please note that students who make a commitment to be on the team must be at all practices, games and tournaments. It's important not to let other teammates down by not showing up for regularly scheduled practices and games. Unexcused absences from games or practices will be treated as follows:

- 1st Absence
 - Students will be suspended from the next game
- 2nd Absence
 - Students will be suspended from the next two games
- 3rd Absence
 - Students will be off the team

Excused absences from practice the day before a game will be handled as follows:

- 1st Excused Absence
 - Students will not start and will not play a period of time determined by the coach
- 2nd Excused Absence
 - Students will not start and will not play at least one quarter of the contest
- 3rd Excused Absence
 - Students will not start and will not play at least half of the contest

If students are absent from school they are not allowed to attend practices or games. However, if students are at school then they are expected to be at practice. If they do not show up for practice or the game then it is an unexcused absence. Any student that is unable to stay for practice or a game needs to speak directly to Ms. Bagwell, or their coach, with a note from home.

Students must be at school at least ½ a day on game day to participate. For a Saturday activity, the student must be present at least a ½ day on the preceding Friday.

Students who are in In-School or Out of School Suspension are not permitted to practice or play with the team. When, a student is suspended, the coach and Ms. Bagwell will meet and evaluate the player's status on the team. The player will be informed of their coach's decision.

It is also important for students to maintain proper behavior whether at practice, in route to the game, at the games or in the classroom. Players are expected to be leaders in the classroom as well as on the field. They are expected to exhibit proper behavior in the classroom as well as around the school. Practices missed due to detention or other disciplinary reasons will be considered unexcused. Continuous behavior problems may result in suspension or possible dismissal from the team. Good sportsmanship is expected at all times, which means within the team, as well as with opponents and officials. There should be no "put-downs" or profanity. This also means abiding by the Student Code of Conduct, listening to the coach, Athletic Coordinator or officials and doing what they ask. It is also important not to horseplay around during practice, in the car or bus, or at the game location. Should inappropriate behavior occur, the student will be put on 24-hour suspension and will meet with administration, their coach and Ms. Bagwell. The following action will be taken:

- 1st Time: Suspension from game or games (Depending on the severity and what is stated in the Student Code of Conduct)
- 2nd Time: Dismissal from the team

After school students must go immediately to their coach's room to get ready for practices or games. On game days students are required to have homework or a book to read for an hour of study hall. If we take a bus to the games, students **must ride** the bus in order to play. A bus will be provided back

to the school at the end of the activity. Athletes may arrange other transportation home, but must first sign out with their coach (Authorization and permission is given to the child by the parent as per parent signature on the OCPS Sports Screening Form). If another parent is picking up, a note must be written with permission. At games all parents of athletes must stay on the spectator's side. Do not go over to the athlete section.

Please be sure to pick up your athlete on time from all practices and games. They should be picked up within 15 minutes of the end of the activity. Failure to do so will result in the athlete's dismissal from the team. If you have an emergency situation please call the school at 407-296-5100. Please note that if you are late picking up your athlete more than one time then they will be suspended from future games and/or be off the team.

Uniforms will be assigned to each member of the team for use during that sports season. Care should be taken when washing the uniform. They should be washed in cold water only; no bleach; hang dry and do not iron. Students will be responsible for their uniform if lost or damaged. At the end of the season if they uniform is not turned in, they will not be able to try-out for any other sport and will have to pay for the uniform if not returned. When wearing the Windy Ridge Uniform, the shirt must be tucked into the uniform shorts and the shorts must be worn on the waist.

- Any infraction of this will result in losing the privilege of wearing the uniform. The uniform will be collected and given to Ms. Bagwell and the player will sit for the first half of the next game.
- A second occurrence will result in a 24-hour suspension from the team with possible dismissal from the team. During the suspension, the player will not attend practice or games. The coach, administration and Ms. Bagwell will meet with the player and inform them of their status on the team.

All communication between students, OCPS staff, parents, guardians and all members of the community must be conducted with courtesy, respect and kindness as per the OCPS Code of Civility. A copy of the Code of Civility is included in the Student Code of Conduct or can be viewed at the district's website at www.ocps.net. Solely the coach determines positions and amount of playing time. **There is no requirement to play everyone each game or for a minimum amount of playing time.**

If you have any questions feel free to give me a call at 407-296-5100 ext. 427.

Thanks,

Jenny Bagwell
Athletic Coordinator/Coach

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I have read the above athletic requirements and agree to abide by them.

Parent Signature _____

Date _____

Athlete Signature _____

Date _____