

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Sport \_\_\_\_\_ Coach \_\_\_\_\_

This agreement describes the expectations and responsibilities for student-athletes at Lighthouse Community Public Schools. As a student-athlete, your actions on and off the field represent your school, team, coaches, and community.

## ACADEMIC EXPECTATIONS

- **GPA Requirement:** Maintain a 2.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale. Eligibility is reviewed each grading cycle — students below 2.0 become ineligible until grades improve.
- For fall sports, eligibility is determined by the previous year's final semester grades (10th–12th grade).
- **Tutoring:** If failing a class, attend tutoring sessions and office hours until passing.
- **Attendance:** Chronic absenteeism or truancy may result in suspension from athletics.

## ACADEMIC CHECKPOINT CALENDAR

Eligibility is reviewed at the end of every grading cycle; a mid-cycle progress check gives early warning so you can bring up a grade before the official review. If your GPA is below 2.0 at a cycle end, you're ineligible until the following cycle.

| Cycle | Mid-Cycle Check | Cycle End    |
|-------|-----------------|--------------|
| 1     | Aug 28, 2026    | Sep 18, 2026 |
| 2     | Oct 9, 2026     | Oct 30, 2026 |
| 3     | Nov 20, 2026    | Dec 18, 2026 |
| 4     | Jan 15, 2027    | Feb 12, 2027 |
| 5     | Mar 5, 2027     | Mar 26, 2027 |
| 6     | Apr 30, 2027    | May 28, 2027 |

## CHARACTER & BEHAVIOR

Student-athletes must demonstrate:

**Honor** — be truthful, responsible, and accountable.

**Excellence** — be punctual, work hard, and strive for improvement.

**Respect** — treat teammates, coaches, opponents, and officials with dignity.

**Safety** — follow safety protocols and constructively resolve conflicts.

**Kindness & Inclusion** — support teammates and create a welcoming environment.

**Intentionality** — make choices that reflect pride in your team and school.

## STUDENT BEHAVIOR & REFERRALS

As a student-athlete, you are held to the LCPS Student Behavior Expectations at all times — in class, on campus, at practice, and at competitions. Behavior is addressed using restorative practices first, with consequences — including referrals and suspensions — applied when expectations are not met, as outlined in the LCPS Family Handbook and the LCPS Suspension and Expulsion Policy.

### Athletics-Specific Consequences

Because participation in athletics is a privilege, behavior and eligibility violations may also affect your standing on the team. In addition to school-level consequences, failure to meet these expectations may result in:

- Loss of playing time or suspension from competition.

- Removal from the team.
- A required meeting with the coach, Athletic Director, and/or AP of Culture; and/or
- Loss of athletic privileges.

## ATTENDANCE EXPECTATIONS

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Consistent school attendance is essential to eligibility. Athletics is part of your school day, and the same attendance standards that apply in class apply to your participation as a student-athlete. Athletic eligibility is reviewed each grading cycle.

- **Tardies** — you are tardy if you arrive after the 8:30 a.m. start of the school day; arriving or being absent for more than 30 minutes without a valid excuse counts as an unexcused absence.
- **Excused vs. Unexcused Absences** — excused only for reasons permitted under the LCPS Attendance Policy (e.g., illness, medical appointments, family emergencies, and other justifiable reasons), verified per that policy; any absence or tardy over 30 minutes without a valid excuse is unexcused.
- **Attendance Threshold for Eligibility** — any student-athlete whose attendance falls below 90% for a grading cycle will be ineligible until attendance improves, as reviewed by the Principal, Athletic Director, and MTSS Coordinator; chronic absenteeism or truancy may also result in suspension from athletics.
- **School** — be present and on time every day; follow the school's absence policies.
- **Class** — attend and participate in every class; academic success is the top priority.
- **Team** — attend all practices, games, and team activities; missing practice without a valid excuse may result in reduced playing time; complete 30 minutes of homework at the learning center before practice.

## SPORTSMANSHIP & REPRESENTATION

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- **Sportsmanship** — show respect for teammates, opponents, officials, and spectators; win or lose with dignity.
- **Representation** — act as a role model on campus, in the community, and on social media.

## EQUIPMENT & UNIFORMS

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- **Care** — keep all issued items in good condition and use them properly; report problems immediately.
- **Return Policy** — return items clean and in good condition within 5 school days of season end or team removal; failure may result in replacement charges, withheld records, or ineligibility.

## CONSEQUENCES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE

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Failure to meet expectations may result in:

- Loss of playing time or suspension.
- Removal from the team.
- Required academic support.
- Equipment replacement charges.
- Loss of athletic privileges.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT & COMMITMENT

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By signing below, I acknowledge that I understand and agree to the expectations in this agreement, including the LCPS Student Behavior Expectations. I recognize that being a student-athlete is a privilege and commit to upholding these standards.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_