

### South Carroll Athletic Department Rules

1. Every candidate and participant must have a valid physical and be insured. All members of a team must pay a \$100 team membership fee per season, due when the candidate is officially notified that have been selected to the team. If more than one family member is playing athletics, the maximum cost is \$140 per family per season.
2. Students and their parents are responsible for reading and knowing the Carroll County Student Handbook and the South Carroll Student Handbook and abiding by all county and school rules and regulations.
3. All students must be in school a **full day** in order to be eligible to practice or participate in an activity, game, etc. A student must be in school a **full day** following an athletic contest. A full day is defined as home room and all scheduled classes.

**The following are approved exceptions:**

- A. Medical or Dentist's appointment (must bring appointment card or note from doctor or dentist).
- B. Funeral or court.
- C. College visit (approved in advance).
- D. Religious requirement.
- E. MVA appointment (must bring proof from the MVA)

**The following are not approved exceptions:**

- A. Illness with parent note.
- B. Missed bus, overslept, car broke down, out of gas, etc.

Any student who has been declared attendance ineligible by the administration is still required to attend practice. Any student who has been declared attendance ineligible and participates in a contest/activity shall be suspended for a minimum of one contest.

4. **Eligibility Policy** – see county guidelines/county handbook
5. Behavior detrimental or disruptive to the operation of the school or extracurricular activity will result in disciplinary action ranging from reprimand to expulsion from the activity for the remainder of the season. Intervention by the athletic director or administrator, in addition to the coach, may be required.
6. Athletes must dress and take part in physical education in order to participate or play that day.
7. Any athlete who misses a practice or a game for any un-excused reason will not be allowed to play in the next contest. Any athlete who has two un-excused absences will be removed from the team.
8. Any student who receives an "F" or an "I" as a quarter grade on their report card will become academically ineligible. Any student who is academically ineligible and participates in a contest/activity shall cause their team to forfeit that contest. To regain eligibility a student must have an interim report of all passing grades with none below a "C", and have the approval of the principal and the coach.
9. Any student who throws a punch or becomes involved in a fight during an athletic contest will be suspended for a minimum of one contest.
10. Any student who receives a red card or is ejected from a game will be suspended for a minimum of one contest.
11. A student who travels with the team must return home with the team, unless the parent informs the coach personally and signs a written note as well, that they will return with the parent. The student may not return home with another parent unless prior written permission has been obtained from the principal.
12. Individuals caught stealing or destroying property, on or off school property at any time, will be dismissed from the team.
13. Any student caught exposing themselves, or another student, in public will be removed from the team for that sport season or 45 days, whichever is longer, and will face administrative punishment.
14. Any student who does not complete the season due to loss of eligibility will forfeit their right to any awards they would otherwise earn during the season.
15. An athlete must be pay for any uniform or equipment not returned at the completion of the season.
16. Any student-athlete who commits an un-sportsmanlike act towards an opponent, official, coach or spectator shall be subject to disciplinary action by the coach, up to and including removal from the team. Un-sportsmanlike acts would include vulgar or profane language, obscene gestures, fighting, taunting, baiting and any other action that would be an embarrassment to the team and Athletic Department. Parents will participate in the statewide effort to improve sportsmanship in athletics. All cheering will be of positive and supportive nature. Degrading the opponent, officials, athletes or coaches will not be tolerated. Any spectator who enters the field/court without authorization during an athletic contest is subject to prosecution.

17. Athletes are prohibited from quitting one team after the first three (3) days in a season in order to participate on another team in the same season. Students cut from a team are permitted to tryout for another team that did not make cuts.

**Coach/Parent**

1. Coaches have the authority over who becomes a member of the team and when he/she plays. The coaching staff determines coaching strategy. Acceptance of a position on a team includes acceptance of this policy. Thus, these issues are not open to parent/coach discussion.
2. Coach, athlete, parent meetings are encouraged to resolve any other issues creating concern or dissatisfaction. Such meetings must be arranged at a mutually acceptable time and place.
3. Any discussion between a coach and a parent should be conducted in a calm, non-threatening manner, or the discussion should be immediately terminated to be continued only by appointment with the Athletic Director. No discussion should take place immediately following a contest or practice.
4. Coaches will fulfill all the duties and responsibilities mandated by their contract and listed in the Carroll County Interscholastic Handbook.

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(Parent/Guardian Signature)      (Date)      (Street Address)      (City, State, Zip)

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(Print Student's Name)      (Student's Signature)      (Date)

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(Home Phone Number)      (Mother's Work Phone Number)      (Father's Work Phone Number)

\* - subject to change per county policy

**Coaches Form 1**

