

## MEMORIAL BASKETBALL POLICIES & PROCEDURES

A great deal is expected of all Memorial basketball players. Please adhere to these policies as they are for your benefit and the benefit of the Memorial Basketball Program.

For infractions of the rules and guidelines outlined below, consequences will be administered. However, the major infractions, including any illegal or unlawful activity on or off campus, could result in immediate and unconditional dismissal from the team.

1. Athletes are required to attend all practices, athletic contests and team functions. Any absences are to be discussed with your coach PRIOR to the absence. Players must report to the practice / playing area properly dressed in the uniforms issued to them. If ill, you are encouraged to attend practice and watch.
2. A missed practice prior to an athletic contest will result in loss of playing time. If you are absent from school or practice YOU MUST personally notify your coach before the beginning of the athletic hour.

Inexcusable tardiness and absences will not be tolerated. Players will be considered tardy if they are not at the designated area at the assigned time. Tardiness may be excused if the coaches are properly notified prior to the incident. Telling a teammate to tell a coach is not acceptable.

If a player is unable to attend a scheduled practice, meeting or game, she must request permission from the coach as soon as possible, except in the case of illness. The coach will decide if the absence is acceptable or unacceptable. All cases will be handled on an individual basis.

3. We will not accept a lack of effort or lack of concentration. Coaches will assign team consequences for offenses of this type. If a player's laziness or inattention is excessive, or if it's consistently repeated, she may be dismissed from practice. If a player is dismissed from practice, she must remain in the building until the coach has had an opportunity to discuss the dismissal with her. If she does not stay, we will assume she has quit the team.
4. You are responsible for returning all the equipment and clothing issued to you to the appropriate facility (braces and wraps to trainers, athletic gear to coaches). You must pay the expense for any lost or damaged articles to Memorial Athletics.
5. Athletes are provided with transportation to and from athletic contests. The following is a healthy balance between the commitments of the team, in order to promote camaraderie, and the individual to help maintain academic success.

### ON SCHOOL NIGHTS & TOURNAMENT DAYS:

- A) Players may go home with their parent/guardian immediately after their commitment is complete after a home game. We ask that if there is a special event in-between games that all remain to make that special event more meaningful and then leave at its' conclusion.
- B) At away contest, players are not required to ride the bus home provided the player's parent signs them out at the end of the game. Players may only ride home with an adult family member who has been designated by the players' parent/guardian as the responsible driver. This designation must be done in writing, prior to the game.

Player's may ride home with a person designated by their parent/guardian as long as their coach receives written notification with the "Transportation Release Form" before or on the morning of that contest.

The coaching staff has the right to require that a player ride the bus home if they are unsure of the driver in question. We will require the appointed driver to sign the player out prior to leaving the premises. Players will not be allowed to wait outside any facility for their parent/guardian to pick them up. The driver must come in to verify their identity with the coach and that they have the player in their possession.

ON NON-SCHOOL NIGHTS:

- A) Players are expected to be at all matches that take place on non-school nights. Exceptions may arise on rare occasions. Upon completion of the last contest, a player may ride home with their parents as long as they are signed out with their coach. In these cases, the coaching staff asks that parents follow the weekday rule regarding notes, drivers, pick-up, etc. If possible, please notify the coaching staff in advance.
6. Athletes are expected to dress and act appropriately at athletic contests. You are representing Memorial High School and are under district dress code and discipline policies.
  7. No jewelry at practice – you can't wear it in a game; therefore, not at practice.
  8. Use of tobacco, alcohol, and drugs will not be tolerated. The possession or use of illegal drugs is prohibited and it could result in immediate dismissal from the team. Be a responsible player avoid drinking, drugs and alcohol. These substances void every attempt to be a well conditioned athlete. Any breach of this rule will be disciplined by the following:
    1. 1<sup>st</sup> Offense – A minimum suspension from 20% of that team's total scheduled contests up to a season long suspension.
    2. 2<sup>nd</sup> Offense – A minimum one-year suspension from the athletic program with a review of the student at the end of that period.
    3. 3<sup>rd</sup> Offense – Expulsion from the athletic program.
  9. Any severe discipline problem can result in immediate dismissal from the team.
  10. Grades are an extremely important matter involving not only athletics, but also the rest of your life. It is imperative that you succeed in the classroom before you can succeed on the court.

In general these rules can be summarized by following three simple rules. If what you do accomplishes these 3 things you should be okay. They are:

1. Don't Do Anything To Embarrass Your School
2. Don't Do Anything To Embarrass Your Coaching Staff
3. Don't Do Anything To Embarrass Your Parents

If what you are doing doesn't embarrass those three groups, then you should be on solid ground.

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Only return the bottom portion of this document.

Print Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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