



PRIMERO SCHOOL ACTIVITIES/ATHLETIC CONTRACT

The purpose of the contract is to create a set of guidelines for students involved in extracurricular activities for grades 6-12 at Primero. These guidelines are expected to be followed at all times during the entire year, 365 days.

It is understood that participation in any extra-curricular activity is voluntary and constitutes a privilege and not a right. Due to the representative status of these activities, certain activities, certain expectations or standards may exceed those applied to academic expectations. The following rules of conduct apply to all students participating in extracurricular activities. As used throughout this contract, the term “athlete or athletic” shall apply to all students and activities governed by the Colorado High school Activities Association and the Primero School District.

Sign Up Sheet ** (NEW)****

Prior to the start of the first practice of any activity/athletic season students must legibly have his or her name on that activity/athletic signup sheet. ALL STUDENTS wanting to participate/join once the first practice has officially started will need approval of the Athletic Director/Administrator who will have final say pending the situation.

ELIGIBILITY

- a. Eligibility will be determined on a weekly basis.
- b. Grades will be based on the following grading scale:

A	90-100
B	89-80
C	79-70
D	69-60
F	59 and below

- c. Beginning the third week of each semester eligibility will be pulled at 9 a.m. on Monday morning and the following will apply:
 - 1) Failing, a student with an F average
 - 2) Any student failing one class or having two or more D's will be ineligible for that week.
 - 3) If the failing status continues in any combination of classes for **three consecutive weeks**, then the student may be dismissed from the team per coaches decision.
 - 4) Any student declared to be ineligible will have notices and/or a phone call sent to their parents.
 - 5) Eligibility will cover all extracurricular activities offered by this district.

- 6) Ineligible students/athletes **WILL NOT** be allowed to attend any school sponsored extracurricular activity for that said time of ineligibility.
- 7) Ineligible students will be placed in ZAPPED during Target Time.

Athletic Requirements

- 1) Abide by all CHSAA rules and bylaws
- 2) **Students must attend school all day on the day of an extracurricular event, such as a sport**, concert or play in order to attend or participate in that event. A student who is absent, regardless of the reason for the absence, may not participate in any extracurricular activities that day unless approved by **administration**.
- 3) If an athlete has an unauthorized absence from school on the day of or the day before the scheduled event, he/she will not be allowed to participate.

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- 4) There will be no hazing, freshman initiation, or discrimination. All participants will represent Primero School and its programs with a high standard of respect. Discriminating against teammates because of age, race, ethnicity, gender, disability, or creed will not be allowed. Instigators of ridicule will be removed from the team.

PRACTICE RULES

- 5) Practice clothes for athletics will be appropriate. Clothing will follow the school board policy JICA. Players are expected to bring tennis shoes which have not been worn outside, sports equipment, and appropriate practice attire. Practice attire will not have excessive holes or profanity. Practice clothes will cover all undergarments. Players should shower after practice and games; bring towels and toiletries, and a change of clothes.
- 6) A player who needs to receive treatment or rehab (taping, ice, bandage, etc.) should seek treatment quickly before practice begins.
- 7) If an athlete is injured and attending school, the athlete will be required to make arrangements with the head coach regarding their responsibilities concerning practice.
- 8) The athlete must comply with Primero School Districts "Player Dress up Day". Male athletes must wear the **team polo** if not then slacks/dress pants, a collared shirt and tie must be worn. The shirt must be tucked in at all times and the entire tie must be visible at all times. Female athletes must wear dress slacks or dress skirt with a dress shirt or dress blouse, **leggings will be accepted if they are appropriate**. Dresses are also acceptable. No denim, corduroy material of any kind will be allowed. ALL CLOTHING WILL MEET THE PRIMERO DISTRICT'S DRESS CODE.
- 9) Taunting, teasing, cursing, arguing, bullying or fighting will not be tolerated within the team, towards the competition, or the umpires/referees. These behaviors will be dealt with immediately and severely up to and including being removed from the team. Remember, *"Cheer for your team, not against your opponent."*
- 10) A suspension or expulsion will result from conduct not appropriate for a Primero athlete. Recommendations will be made by the coach and/or Athletic Director and reviewed by the

Principal and then approved by the Superintendent if needed. (Chain of Command) **Final decision made between coach and AD/Admin.**

- 11) All athletes will sign-in and watch the SPORTSMANSHIP video provided by CHSAA in a group meeting held by the coach/coaches. This video will be required viewing by all athletes prior to the beginning of the season.

GAME AND ACTIVITY EXPECTATIONS

All participants are to dress neatly and appropriately as indicated by the coach or sponsor for home and away competitions and activities.

Players are expected to help in warm-ups. Team players will help with varsity warm-ups when possible. Varsity players are to help with team warm-ups. Players will be available to coaches to take stats or tape. Varsity players are not excused to go home and simply show-up just before a match, game or activity.

Team support at all levels is expected. All participants and coaching staff will represent Primero High with good sportsmanship and respect. All players are to make every effort to balance studies and competition day responsibilities; if dismissed early to attend an event, they are expected to request assigned work from all missed classes before leaving.

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SUBSTANCE ABUSE:

The athletes must follow the school's student handbook policy for substance abuse. During the year an athlete shall not:

- a) Consume a beverage containing alcohol or use illegal drugs.
- b) Consume, have in possession, buy, sell or give away any controlled substance, or illegal drug which includes any and all forms of tobacco.
- c) All incidences of "alleged" reports of alcohol/ illegal drug use, or illegal activity will be thoroughly investigated by administration.

PENALTIES: The **Athletic Director** may determine the level of infraction and can use any and all of the following as a recommendation to the Principal.

First Offense - The athlete suspended for a specific period of time.

Second Offense - The athlete suspended for sports season.

Third Offense - The athlete suspended for a calendar year.

Fourth Offense - The athlete suspended from any further participation at Primero School District.

TRANSPORTATION:

Athletes and coaches will board the bus at school prior to leaving for the event. Athletes may board at the designated pick-up location in Trinidad if it is a weekend contest. The coach will take attendance at both locations. At the end of the activity players may be released to parents/legal guardians once the parents/legal guardians have signed their athlete out with the coach. If an athlete is to be released to another adult or relative, the parent/legal guardian must submit a note to the office prior to leaving for the activity. Siblings who are still in school will not be allowed to drive the athlete's home from the activity without written consent from the parent/guardian. If the parents/guardian is not present or has not submitted written consent for the athlete to leave with another adult or sibling, the athlete will return on the bus with the coach and the team.

TRASH - players are responsible for the cleanliness of their team area (bench, locker rooms, and eating areas) at practice, at competitions, and on the bus. Irresponsibility in this area will result in conditioning consequences as assigned by individual coaches and sponsors.

COMMUNICATION:

AREAS OF CONTROL THAT BELONG TO THE COACH ALONE:

- **Playing time**
- **Positions played, lineups, team strategy, etc.**
- **Offensive and defensive strategies and style of play**
- **Matters regarding other student athletes**
- **Athletes are to be left to their respective parents**

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Throughout the season, some decisions will be made by coaches which may not be the same as athletes or parents would have made. Please do not attempt to confront a coach before or after a practice or a contest (use the 24 hour rule). Whenever a question, concern, or complaint arises regarding an athletic situation we have found the following line of communication very effective in resolving issues:

1. START AT THE SOURCE – Make an appointment to talk directly to the sub-varsity or varsity coach.
2. IF NECESSARY, MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO TALK TO THE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR.
3. IF NECESSARY, MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO TALK TO THE PRINCIPAL.
4. IF NECESSARY, MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO TALK TO THE SUPERINTENDENT.

24 HOUR RULE: A parent or guardian of a student athlete WILL NOT be allowed to approach or attempt verbal contact with ANY coach until 24 HOURS after that contest, event or practice is completed.

This will be strictly enforced by all levels of Administration. NO EXCEPTIONS!

Parents can set up a meeting with the **Athletic Director** which would include the parent, coach and Athletic Director. Opinions are valued but at the same time they will not dictate what goes on in the program. Coaches have complete control of line-ups, number of players on the team, playing time and position assignments.

LETTERING CRITERIA:

Lettering in any sport will be a collaborative decision made by the Head Coach and the Athletic Director of Primero. Athletes must make every effort to attend all practices, contests and events pertaining to their sport. Only with prior, written, verified approval by the Athletic Director and School Administrator will an exception be considered.

FOOTBALL: Athletes will letter if they play in 18 quarters over the season, or if the team qualifies for the State Playoff Quarterfinals.

VOLLEYBALL: Athletes will letter if they play at the Varsity level, or if the team qualifies for the State Tournament.

MEN'S BASKETBALL: Athletes will letter if they play in 38 varsity quarters over the season. All athletes on the varsity team will letter if the team qualifies for the State Tournament.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL: Athletes will letter if they play in 38 varsity quarters over the season. All athletes on the varsity team will letter if the team qualifies for the State Tournament. *****(NEW)**

TRACK: Athletes will letter if they compile at least 10 points throughout the season at meets, or if they compete at the State Track Meet.

*A (PE) credit for graduation will be earned if a student athlete letters in three Varsity sports in one complete school year.

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EXCUSED/UNEXCUSED ABSENCE:

- An absence from practice must be cleared with the **HEAD COACH** before the absence occurs.
- Only in an emergency situation will a student report an absence to either the Athletic Director or an assistant coach. Individual coaches can communicate however they feel is most effective when holding practice on non-school days.
- A doctor's /dentist's note must accompany the student to school in order for the absence to be excused or the school or coach must be informed by the parent/guardian on the same day of the illness.
- Any absence, even an1 excused absence, MAY prohibit an athlete from being in the starting lineup for the next scheduled event.
- Each **HEAD COACH** will have different ways of handling their players' absence during the season.
- Each **HEAD COACH** will hold his/her own team meeting at the beginning of each season and explain the procedures for dealing with unexcused/excused absences.
- **CONSEQUENCES:** offenses - if a player does not have a doctors or dentists excuse, or have a legitimate emergency or bona fide reason for missing a practice or a game (i.e. funeral, accident, etc.) within the game week, the participant will be benched for the next competition at coaches digression.
- In conclusion, tardy/s, unexcused absences, lack of commitment, and discipline concerns will

result in a player receiving limited playing time, position assignment change, team assignment or removal from the team or activity.

This handbook should be kept at home for future reference by student athletes and parents.

- A completed and signed copy will be on file in the student athletes file.
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**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF
PRIMERO JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
ATHLETIC HANDBOOK**

I, as undersigned below, will not be part of any action that will bring discredit to me, my parents, my teammates, coaches, sponsors, community, or my school. I have read and fully understand the PRIMERO SCHOOL ACTIVITIES/ATHLETIC CONTRACT, and hereby agree to abide by all the rules and penalties stated therein.

Student Full Name Printed

Student Signature

Date

I have read and fully understand the information provided in the PRIMERO SCHOOL ACTIVITIES/ATHLETIC CONTRACT/HANDBOOK, which applies to my student athlete:

Parent's/ Guardian's Full Name Printed

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Parent's/ Guardian's Signature

Date:

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