First Baptist Christian School Student Athlete Covenant



At First Baptist Christian School, we believe that the athletic program is a complementary part of the educational and spiritual emphasis of the school. It has been said that athletics builds character; although that may be true, it is often true that <u>athletics reveals character</u>.

As a student athlete at First Baptist Christian School, I make a commitment to demonstrate the following character qualities in my participation:

Self Control - I will keep my emotions in check at all times, avoiding angry responses toward my coach, my opponents, the officials, or spectators.

Respect – I will treat my coach, my opponents, the officials and spectators with respect. I recognize that my coach is my authority on my team, and I will respect his/her decisions and leadership and abide by team rules established by my coach. The competition is my opponent, not my enemy. Even when I disagree with an official's call, I will treat them with the respect due an authority placed over me by God.

Dependability – I will faithfully meet the commitments I make to my team and First Baptist Christian School. I will faithfully attend all scheduled practices and games and assume the responsibility of notifying my coach if I am unable to attend. I commit to give me best effort as a student and will work diligently to maintain my academic eligibility.

Diligence – I will give my best effort at every practice and game to improve my skills and help my team win.

Selflessness – I recognize that I am a part of a team and commit to making my team and teammates successful. If necessary, I will sacrifice personal, individual success for the success of the team.

Leadership – As a student athlete, I recognize that I hold a leadership position at FBCS. I commit to model Christian character in the classroom, giving my teachers the respect due them as God's authority in my life, treating my fellow classmates with respect, and consistently giving my best effort in my studies.

Humility – I will give God the glory for any success He allows my team and me to enjoy.

Additionally,

- 1. I understand that I am a representative of my Lord and my school. I will do my best to conduct myself in such a manner as to always be a credit to our Lord and our school, both on the athletic field and in the community.
- 2. I understand that athletics is only a part of the whole education and spiritual program offered here at FBCS.
- 3. I have read and understand the policies established by the school board for the purpose of athletics as outlined in the Athletic Handbook.
- 4. I have read the specific policies and procedures given to me by my coach and agree to abide by them.
- 5. I understand that I am responsible for the care of any equipment issued to me. I understand that my uniform should only be washed in cold water and that I may only wear my uniform on the athletic field, unless otherwise given permission by my coach to wear it for a special event or day. I understand and agree to pay for any equipment issued to me that is lost, stolen, or damaged (reasonable wear from the season is not considered damage).
- 6. I promise to care for our athletic facilities in a proper manner so as to maintain their quality. I agree to pay for any damages I may cause.
- 7. I will not wear practice clothes in the church / school unless I receive permission from my coach.

As a student athlete at FBCS, I recognize that I am representing my family, my school, and my
Savior. I expect to be held accountable to these commitments by my coach, my teachers, and
my administrator.

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