

SIMSBURY HIGH SCHOOL

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2011-2012 SPORTS CONTRACT

As a student athlete, I understand that participation on an Interscholastic team is a privilege and a commitment. I have read the expectations for athletes in the Simsbury High School Student Handbook including the policy prohibiting "**Hazing**" in any form.

As a member of a team, I am dedicated to keeping myself in the best physical condition possible in order to perform to the best of my ability and to contribute to the success of the team. As such, training rules are as follows:

1. NO possession and/or use of tobacco products.
2. NO possession and/or use of alcohol.
3. NO possession and/or use of illegal drugs.

A student athlete's violation of any of these rules, from the first day of practice through the last scheduled game or contest, will result in his/her removal from the team for the remainder of the current sport season and all future sport seasons, unless the athlete requests and fulfills the conditions of the reinstatement process.

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A team Captain found in violation of this contract will lose their position as Captain for the remainder of the season. Their ability to hold the position of Captain in subsequent seasons would be subject to review by the Coach and School Administration.

I have read and understand the sports contract and am aware of the consequences for its violation:

SIGNATURE OF PLAYER _____

DATE _____ YEAR OF GRADUATION _____

SPORT PARTICIPATING IN _____

WE HAVE READ AND WE UNDERSTAND THIS CONTRACT AND WE HAVE DISCUSSED IT WITH OUR SON/DAUGHTER. WE RECOGNIZE OUR RESPONSIBILITY IN ENSURING THAT OUR SON/DAUGHTER ABIDES BY THE PROVISIONS OF THIS AGREEMENT.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

I/We give our permission for _____ to participate in organized high school athletics, realizing that such activity involves the potential for injury which is inherent in all sports. I/We acknowledge that even with the best coaching, use of appropriate protective equipment, and strict observance of rules, injuries are still a possibility. On rare occasions, these injuries can be so severe as to result in total disability, paralysis, or even death.

I/We acknowledge that I/We have read and understand this warning.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Signature of Player

PETITION PROCESS FOR REINSTATEMENT TO THE ATHLETICS PROGRAM

When a violation of this contract during a sport season is reported and verified by the coach or the administration, a meeting will be held with the student-athlete, parent/guardian, coach and high school principal/assistant principal to explain the reinstatement process and sign the necessary forms. Furthermore, if the suspension period should exceed the sport season in which the infraction occurred, the remaining period of time shall carry over to the next sport season and be served from the date of the first contest in that subsequent season. The regular school disciplinary policies and procedures supersede this contract. When those disciplinary procedures have been completed, the provisions of this contract will commence.

FIRST OFFENSE

- A. If the athlete admits to the violation in the initial meeting with the coach or school representative, the athlete shall be suspended from the team for a period of 21 calendar days from the initial meeting.
 - 1. During this period, the athlete and parents/guardians will meet with a school counselor (psychologist or social worker) for an assessment. Additional sessions may be required at the discretion of the school counselor.
 - 2. The athlete must attend and participate in all practices.
 - 3. The athlete must attend all contests but may NOT participate and may NOT be in uniform.
- B. If the athlete does not admit to the violation in the initial meeting, and it is subsequently shown or admitted that a violation did occur, the athlete shall be suspended from the team for a period of 42 calendar days from the time that a violation was determined.
 - 1. During this period, the athlete and parents/guardians will meet with a school counselor (psychologist or social worker) for an assessment. Additional sessions may be required at the discretion of the school counselor.
 - 2. The athlete must perform ten hours of school/community service.
 - 3. The athlete must attend and participate in all practices.
 - 4. The athlete must attend all contests but may NOT participate and may NOT be in uniform.

SECOND OFFENSE

Should a second violation occur, the following procedure shall apply:

- A. If the athlete admits to the violation in the initial meeting with the coach or school representative, the athlete shall be suspended from the team for a period of 42 calendar days from the initial meeting.
 - 1. During this period, the athlete and parents/guardians will meet with a school counselor (psychologist or social worker) for an assessment. Additional sessions may be required at the discretion of the school counselor.
 - 2. The athlete must attend and participate in all practices.
 - 3. The athlete must attend all contests but may NOT participate and may NOT be in uniform.
- B. If the athlete does not admit to the violation in the initial meeting, and it is subsequently shown or admitted that a violation did occur, the athlete shall be suspended from the team for a period of 84 calendar days from the time that a violation was determined.
 - 1. During this period, the athlete and parents/guardians will meet with a school counselor (psychologist or social worker) for an assessment. Additional sessions may be required at the discretion of the school counselor.
 - 2. The athlete must perform ten hours of school/community service.
 - 3. The athlete must attend and participate in all practices.
 - 4. The athlete must attend all contests but may NOT participate and may NOT be in uniform.

ANY SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES

Any further participation in the athletics program shall be contingent upon a recommendation of the school Counselor, Coach, and School Administration. Furthermore, any athlete who violates the sport contract a second time over the course of their high school career will not be allowed to hold the position of team Captain without review by the School Administration and Coach. The final decision will be that of the Principal.