

**CROOK COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION FORM**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Sport \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

**Health Insurance**

Health Insurance coverage is required to participate in CCMS Athletics.  
Please list the insurance that will be provided

Private Insurance \_\_\_\_\_ Policy # \_\_\_\_\_  
Student Insurance (can be purchased at the CCMS office)  
Purchase date \_\_\_\_\_



**FEES \$50 PER SPORT PER ATHLETE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR**

If your student is on Free or Reduced lunch and you have completed a sharing form you qualify for \$37.50 fee per sport per athlete. All student fees and/or fines must be paid in full in order to participate in school sponsored athletic programs. Students with outstanding fees and/or fines due to compelling hardship circumstances should consult with the Athletic Director or AD Secretary to arrange a payment schedule that satisfies the outstanding obligation within the first 4 weeks of the athletic program. Students who default on the payment schedule may be suspended from participation without a refund of fees paid until all fees and/or fines are satisfied. There is a \$200 per family per year maximum of Middle School sports.

**Group Text Participation:**

In order to improve communication between coaches and parents/student athletes of information related to the current sport, the head coach may choose to set up a GROUP TEXT. If you are willing to include your phone number and/or your child's phone number for this group text list please sign for approval below and include any phone numbers you would like included.

**I give permission for myself and/or my child to be on the group text for the sport referenced on this form.**

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Cell Phone #/s to be added(include area code) : \_\_\_\_\_

Student athlete Cell Phone to be added: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE READ BOTH THE FRONT & BACK OF THIS FORM BEFORE SIGNING:**

1. By signing this form, I acknowledge that my son/daughter is fully covered by the indicated insurance program.
2. My son/daughter has a current physical on file at the CCMS office. Physicals are good for two calendar years.
3. I/We acknowledge that my son/daughter will be held financially responsible for all player's equipment owned and issued by Crook County Middle School.
4. Student must maintain academic eligibility.
5. Student behavior must be acceptable at all times during the season participation.
6. Any school discipline action which results in suspension shall affect the athlete in the following manner:  
**First Suspension**—non participation in the next contest. **Second Suspension**— removal from team.
7. Special Education students are responsible for their behavior and academic standards not related to their handicapping condition.
8. Students must follow all other guidelines set forth in the CCMS Athletic Policy. A copy of the CCMS Athletic Policy can be found on the back of this form, in the student binder reminder, and in the parent handbook/calendar.
9. Attendance: Students must attend all classes the day of a contest. Absences may be excused if they are prearranged with an administrator or through the CCMS attendance office.

I understand that by signing this form, I am agreeing to comply with all conditions listed on this form and of the Athletic Policy. If parent signs for student, it acknowledges that parent will see to it that the student will comply with all conditions listed above and on the attached pages.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature Date

## **PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS**

### **Consent Form**

Each parent and athlete needs to sign and turn in a consent form to the office. A separate consent form for each sport is required. We do not accept notes.

### **Athletes Must Be Covered By Insurance**

If you do not have insurance, you may purchase insurance through the office.

### **Current Physical**

A copy of a current physical must be on file in the CCMS office. Physicals are good for two calendar years. Physicals are available through local doctors offices during the month of August for a nominal fee.

### **Fees**

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### **Participation Fees**

Are due in full before the team begins regularly scheduled practices. Student will not be allowed to participate in practices until the fee is paid in full. Refunds will be based on the following guidelines;

**No refunds** will be processed or any student who quits the team/activity voluntarily.

**-A student** who is cut from the team/activity will be entitled to a full refund ONLY if there is no other team (JV etc)

**-A student** who is injured within the four (4) weeks of the season (commencing from the first day of practice) shall be entitled to a refund equal to 50% of the participation fee. No refunds will be issued for injuries incurred after the fourth (4th) week. However, the District will honor the pro-rated amount of the fee as a Tax Deductible donation upon formal request by the parent or guardian of the injured student.

**-Refund requests** due to family relocation (student withdrawal from CCSD) will be processed in the same manner as an injury, i.e. 50% of the fee will be refunded with in the first four (4) weeks of the season.

**-No refunds** will be processed at any time when a student is removed from the team/activity for disciplinary reasons.

### **Emergency Medical Card**

The emergency medical card must be filled out and given to the coach prior to participation.

### **Academic Requirements**

Student Athletes are ineligible if they have any F's or more than one D in either academics or citizenship. Grades are checked on a weekly basis for all sports. Ineligible athletes will have an opportunity to raise their grades while not participating in any contests as long as they are ineligible (they are expected to practice.) Athletes will be allowed 1 week of grace before becoming ineligible.

### **Athlete Behavior**

Any school discipline action which results in suspension shall affect the athlete in the following manner:

First Suspension— non participation in the next contest

Second suspension— removal from the team

Any athlete discipline issue occurring during a practice or contest will be addressed as follows:

First Offense— can result in non participation in the next contest

Second Offense— can result in removal from team

### **Attendance**

Student athletes must attend all classes the day of a contest. Absences may be excused if they are prearranged with an administrator or through the CCMS attendance office.

This information is also available in the Parent Calendar/Handbook, the Student Binder Reminder Planner, and on our website.

### **Parent/Coach Relationship**

Both parenting and coaching are extremely difficult vocations. By establishing an understanding of each position, we are better able to accept the actions of the others and provide greater benefit to students. As parents, when your child becomes involved in our program, you have a right to understand what expectations are placed on your child. This begins with clear communication from the coach of your child's program.

### **Communications You Should Expect From Your Child's Coach**

1. Philosophy of the coach.
2. Expectations the coach has for your child as well as all the players on the team.
3. Location and times of all practices and contests.
4. Team requirements, i.e. fees, special equipment, required paperwork, etc.
5. Procedure, should your child be injured during participation.
6. Discipline that results in the denial of your child's participation.

### **Communication Coaches Expect From Parents**

1. Concerns expressed directly to the coach.
2. Notification of any schedule change well in advance (unless it is an emergency).
3. Specific concern in regard to a coach's philosophy and/or expectations.

As students become involved in the athletic programs at Crook County Middle School, they will experience some of the most rewarding moments of their lives. It is important to understand that there also may be times when things do not go the way you or your child wishes. At these times discussion with the coach is encouraged.

### **Appropriate Concerns To Discuss With Coaches**

It is very difficult to accept your child's behavior when it is inappropriate. It is very difficult to accept your child not playing as much as you may hope. Coaches are human beings. They make judgement decisions based on what they believe to be best for all students involved. As you have seen from the list above, certain things can, and should be discussed with your child's coach. Other things, such as those listed on the next below, must be left to the discretion of the coach.

### **Issues Not Appropriate to Discuss With Coaches**

1. Playing Time
2. Team Strategy
3. Play Calling
4. Other Student-Athletes
5. Position Assignment

There are situations that may require a conference between the coach and parent. These are to be encouraged. It is important that each party involved have a clear understanding of the other's position. When these conferences are necessary, the following procedure should be followed to help promote a resolution to the issue of concern.

### **If You Have A Concern To Discuss With A Coach, The Procedure You Should Follow**

1. Call the school office to set up an appointment with the coach.
2. If the coach cannot be reached, call the Athletic Director, he will set up a meeting for you.
3. Please do not attempt to confront a coach before or after a contest or practice. These can be emotional times for both the parent and coach. Meetings of this nature usually do not promote resolution.

### **The Next Step**

**What can a parent do if the meeting with the coach did not provide a satisfactory resolution?**

1. Call and set up an appointment with the Athletic Director to discuss the situation.
2. At this meeting the appropriate next step can be determined. Since research indicates that a student involved in co-curricular activities has a greater chance of success during adulthood, these programs have been established. Many of the character traits required to be successful participants are exactly those that will promote a successful life after high school. We hope the information provided here makes you and your child's experience with the Crook County Middle School less stressful and more enjoyable