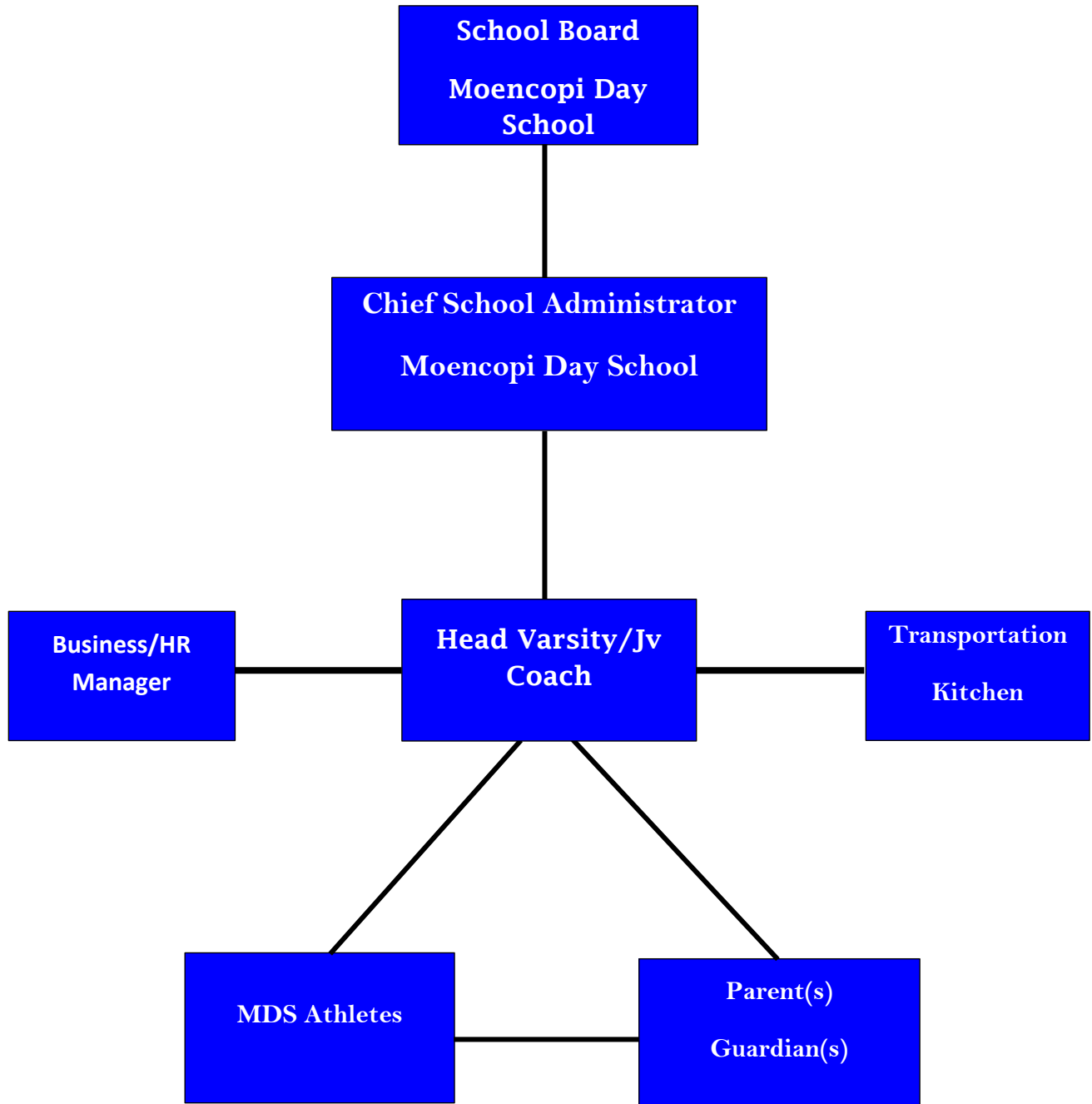


Moencopi Day School
Home of the Panthers



Student/Parent- Athletic
Handbook

MDS Athletic Organizational Flow Chart



Academic Eligibility: NO PASS=NO PLAY

Note to teachers: We must work together to encourage and enable **ALL** students to participate in extra-curricular activities. In determining whether a student is eligible to participate, we must be reasonable, fair, and consistent. Ineligibility should be reserved for serious academics deficiencies and or misbehavior.

1. Coaches will distribute grade check every Monday. A second "Grade Check" will be conducted the following week and will be only for students deemed ineligible after initial grade check. Grade check forms will be available at the Athletic office.
2. Grade Checks must be signed by the teacher; Athletes must return grade checks with all required signatures (including parent/guardian signature) to their coaches on Friday before practice or an athletic trip.
3. The "NO PASS, NO PLAY" rule is in effect for all sports. To be eligible to participate in sports, student/athletes shall be required to earn a passing grade in each course in which athlete/student is enrolled and maintaining satisfactory progress throughout the school year. All student athletes must maintain a passing grade of "C" or more.
4. The grading eligibility is conducted every week to assure compliance with the eligibility policy. Passing grades shall be determined on a cumulative basis, from the beginning of instruction to the recording of a final grade for the course.
5. **Ineligibility:** is determined when student/athlete have failed to meet the requirements specified for eligibility or student fails to submit grade checks on time. Student must maintain a "C" in all classes. The student shall be declared ineligible to participate in extracurricular activities and shall remain ineligible until the requirements of eligibility are met.
6. Ineligible students will not be permitted to participate until the athlete receives a passing grade in the class(es) he/she is failing. Once a student athlete is at a passing status (C or better), they become eligible. Ineligible students may not participate in athletic competition, but may practice.
7. Educational support services will be provided to students declared ineligible. Student will not be able to regain eligibility until the next grade check and will not be able to participate in competition until they regain eligibility.
8. If an athlete is declared ineligible for three grade checks, he/she will be removed from the team.
9. A student will not be ineligible due to behavior unless the behavior is referred to the school Chief school Administrator.

10. Manipulation/Forgery/Tampering: A complete investigation will be done by the Athletic Director when there is manipulation; forgery; and tampering; on grade check forms. The athlete will be removed from the team if guilty.
11. Grade check procedures will be as follows: Athletes will receive initial grade check forms on Monday by the Athletic Director. Athlete also may pick up the grade check form from athletic office first thing Monday morning. The athlete will then submit grade check for to teachers to complete. To ensure a timely processing time in returning the grade check on time to the Athletic Director, teachers will have the grade checks signed and returned to the athlete no later what is specified on the Grade check form. The athlete will get required parent/guardian signature and have grade check turned in on Friday. If the student fails to return the completed grade check on time, they will be deemed ineligible.

Sport offered by Grades and Season

SPORTS	GRADES
Non- Contact Sports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cross Country • Track and Field 	1 st grade through 6 th grade 4th/5th/6th grade
Contact Sports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basketball • Co-ed Softball 	3 rd /4th/5th/6th grade 4th/5th/6th grade

Fall Season August to October	Winter Season November to March	Spring Season March to May
Cross Country	Boys Basketball Girls Basketball	Track and Field Co-ed Softball

All sports are open to boys and girls in grade levels indicated above. The number of athletes is unlimited. There are no tryouts, but if there are more that needed on a team at that time the Athletic Director will make a decision in splitting the teams in half to for a Team A and Team B.

MDS Competition Rules

1. Student-Athlete must have three practices before participating in any games/meets.
2. Student- Athlete may participate in only one sport, per season.
3. Student-Athlete must be at school/practices before, the day of and after a game/meet unless excused by the Head Coach.

New Student/Transfer Athlete

1. After enrolling and attending classes, students changing enrollment to/from one school to another school shall be considered a transferring student. Student shall be eligible to participate in school sport upon proof of required documents.
2. Students, who transfer to MDS after the first week of practice has started, may still be eligible to join a sport. No student will be eligible to join a sport after the second game has been played.
3. Student Athlete must practice three days before a competition game.
4. Eligibility will also be based on student athlete's transcript graded from previous school reporting period.

Attendance

1. Student will have the first week of the season to decide which sport or activity in which to participate.
2. Missing Classes/Practice/Game: You are required to attend all. If you are not in attendance, it is the student athlete's responsibility to bring a note as to the reason you were unable to attend. Prior communication with the Head Coach is encouraged. The following are excused absent/tardy:
 - Family Emergencies
 - Academic events: tutoring/afterschool homework help program
 - Doctor's Appointment/Illness/Hospital
 - Religious Ceremony
3. Failure to attend classes, practices and games may result in non-participation with upcoming events.

4. 3 unexcused absences results in removal from the team.
5. Quitting a Sport/Leaving the Team: Student Athlete must notify the coach in writing when quitting a sport. If student has participated in an athletic event, student athlete must return all equipment immediately to the Head Coach.
6. Quitting a sport/Leaving the Team: Student Athlete must notify the coach in writing when quitting a sport.
7. Athletes are required to be at school $\frac{1}{2}$ a day to be considered to attended competition. Any exception needs to be cleared with the Athletic Director. However, if an athlete attends school for the required time, but leaves because of illness or any other related reason, athlete will not be able to attend practice or competitions on that day.

ATHLETE CONDUCT

The conduct of an athlete is closely observed in all areas of being a Moencopi Day School student and athlete. It is important that behavior be above reproach in all of the following areas:

In the classroom

In the academic setting, a good athlete becomes a good student. As an athlete, one must plan his/her schedule so as to give sufficient time and energy to academic studies. In addition to maintaining good sportsmanship, an athlete should be respectful, safe and responsible in the all classroom settings. Athletes must give attention to classroom activities and show respect for other students and faculty at all times. A conscientious athlete should have a good attendance record.

On the Campus

The way athletes act and look on campus is of great importance. Athletes should be leaders in every aspect of their academic endeavors at Moencopi Day School. Respect is not given, it is earned.

Use of Drugs and Alcohol

The use of tobacco, alcohol, possessing drugs, paraphernalia of distribution of illegal drugs/narcotics will result in immediate removal from the team for remainder of the school year. Athletes will not be able to join any other sports for the remainder of the school year.

Student Handbook Violations

If an athlete is dropped from a team due to violation from the Student Handbook, the student may not join another activity for the remainder of the school year.

An athlete placed on suspension for any reason cannot participate in any activity for the duration of that suspension.

Sportsmanship

Good sportsmanship is strived for all Moencopi Day School events. Good sportsmanship is a responsibility expected of players, coaches, advisors, faculty, cheerleaders, students, adult, spectators, officials, and media. Promotion of good sportsmanship at Moencopi Day School events shall include a demonstration of respect for all participants and officials. All participants, spectators shall maintain self-control throughout the event. Good sportsmanship is the corner stone of a quality activity program.

Athlete Conduct

As an athlete, you are asked to read and agree to the following guidelines for practice, games (home or away) and field trips:

1. I will be a leader and handle all of my academic responsibilities.
2. I will give my best efforts at all times.
3. I will always put the interest of the team first before my individual interest.
4. I will treat the locker room as if it were my home away from home-neat and always clean.
5. I realize the consequences of quitting.
6. I will always be on time and prepared for practices and games.
7. As a member of the team, I will be courteous, respectful, safe and practice good sportsmanship to teammates, opponents, teachers/coaches, and officials.
8. I understand that it is a privilege to represent my school and proper behavior is required in class, at practice, at athletic contests and on fieldtrips.
9. I understand that good sportsmanship is a must. Criticizing, blaming or disrupting with my teammates, coaches, opponents, or referees will not be tolerated.
10. I will be respectful of other schools' staff members and facilities; this is proper behavior as a representative of my school.
11. I understand that commitment to practice and games is required. Athletes should communicate any scheduling conflicts with the coaches.

12. I understand that all team members are required to support their team(s) for the entire contest(s).
13. Accept the decisions of the coach, athletic director and contest officials.
14. Display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.
15. Follow the rules of the game.
16. Wins without boasting, loses without excuses and never quits.
17. Never forget that I represent Moencopi Day School.
18. I will not lie, cheat or steal. This violation may result in dismissal from the team.
19. I will use appropriate language at all times. Avoid use of offensive gesture(s).
20. Show respect, listen and obey at all times to coaches and game officials.
21. Show respect for public property and equipment. I will not vandalize or damage property. Cost to repair equipment and property caused as a result of stupidity and negligence will be sole responsibility of athlete's parent/guardian.
22. I will not haze or bully any student or athlete at Moencopi Day School.
 - a. "Hazing means committing an act against a student or coercing a student into committing an act that creates substantial risk or harm to a person, in order for the student to be initiated into or affiliated with a student organization or for any other purpose. Bullying can be any pattern of behavior that is intended to harass, tease, intimidate, ridicule, humiliate or install fear in another child or group of children; verbal abuse, threat of or actual physical harm.
23. Horseplay and reckless behavior will not be allowed.
24. I will be alcohol, drug, and tobacco free. These violations will result in immediate dismissal from the team.

*Violation of statement 1-24 during practice will be handled in the following manner:

First Violation=Written warning and conference with coach, Athletic Director, Parent/Guardian will be notified of warning given.

Second Violation=Conference with athlete/parent/guardian/coach/Athletic Director;
One game suspension.

Third Violation= Dismissal from team.

It is the goal of our school and MDS Athletics to have an excellent community, school and athletic program of which we can be proud of. Consequently, violation of the school rules is not acceptable. Athletes are students first, and academics is a high importance which will take priority over any Athletic sport. The following actions will be taken when the athlete receives any of the following classroom/school violation.

- Two detentions or Behavior Referrals in school (per season)
 1. Warning and conference with coach and Athletic Director.

- Three or more detentions/referrals in school (per season)
 1. No game for that week
 2. Conference with athlete/parent/coach.
 3. Review with athlete/parent/principal/coach for possible removal from the team.

- In-school/out school suspension (per season)
 1. Removal from the team.

Grooming and Dress Policy

As a member of Moencopi Day School athletic team, you are expected to be well groomed. Appearance, expression, and actions always influence people's opinions of athletes, the team, and the school. Good grooming and dress rules will enhance good sportsmanship; reinforce good health habits, good performance, respect for rules and authority; leadership, team pride and discipline. The following rules will be adhered to by team members:

1. While on campus, the school dress code will be adhered to at all times.
2. No Jewelry will be worn while participating in athletics.
3. All uniforms will be worn as prescribed by the coach.
4. When traveling, team will wear either uniform top or casual dress attire to represent MDS in respectable manner.
5. No athlete is to wear any clothing that advertise or promotes alcohol, illegal substances, sex, profanity, or is objectionable to the coach or administration.

Any athlete in violation of dress policy will have parents notified and asked to bring suitable clothing.

Ejection Policy

This policy applies to all persons involved in an athletic contest, including student-athletes, coaches, and parents/guardians. The following are examples of behavior or conduct that will result in an ejection from a contest.

- Fighting-which includes, but is not limited to combative acts such as:
 1. An attempt to stike an opponent with a fist, hand, arms, legs or feet.
 2. An attempt to punch or kick an opponent, regardless of whether or not contact is made.
 3. An attempt to instigate a fight by committing an unsportsmanlike act toward an opponent that causes an opponent to retaliate.
 4. Leaving the bench are to participate in a fight (contact or no contact)
- Biting observed by an official.
- Taunting or spitting toward an opponent.
- Profanity-directed toward an official or opponent.
- Obscene gesture- includes gesturing in such a manner as to intimidate.
- Disrespectfully addressing an official-(physical contact with an official is subject to automatic removal from the game or removal from the team.

Penalty- for any of the infractions under Ejection Policy.

- First offense- Reprimand and suspended for next game. Will not be allowed to practice with the team until suspension is over. A conference with the Athlete/Coach/Athletic Director/Principal.
- Second Offence- Athlete will be removed from the team.

Equipment

- Athletic equipment is the property if Moencopi Day School and is to be used solely for the purpose of competing in an athletic program.
- All uniforms will be handed out the day of the event and returned after the event is over. Athletes will sign in/out for uniforms they are given.
- All uniforms not return is the responsibility of the athlete/parents/ or Guardians. Must see the Athletic Director for the fee of uniforms.
- Athlete will not be allowed to participate in another sport activity until debut is paid in full.

Open/Closed Practice

Coaches will have the right to conduct closed practices. Head coaches will inform his/her decision to conduct closed practice during the first parent meeting. Closed practice provides:

1. Safety for you kids.
2. 1.5 hours is not much time. Coaches would like uninterrupted practice session.

*Coaches will inform parent/guardian if in need of volunteers. (3 consecutive practices will require a background clearance check)

Injuries/Illness

All injuries, which occur while participating in athletics, should be reported to the coach. If the injury requires medical attention by a doctor or treatment center, it will be necessary to have a Student injury form completed. Once athletes are treated by a physician, the athlete MUST OBTAIN THE DOCOTOR'S PERMISSION TO RETURN TO THE ACTIVITY WITH AN UPDATE PHYSICAL EXAMINATION FORM.

Athletes who are physically unable to practice due to injury are to present to the Coach a statement from a Physician.

Cancel Practice/Game

If inclement weather should occur after students are already in school, students will be informed of practice or cancellation before lunch time or end of day. Most of the time practice will still be held in event of a cancelled contest. If practice is cancelled, students/athletes will be sent home on the afternoon bus run.

Parent will be notified via ONE CALL. In the event of a cancelled game, we will make it our efforts to reschedule the game to a later date, which will give enough time for planning.

Transportation-Activity bus/Travel

All Athletes must travel to a contest and events in school provided transportation supervised by their Coach/Assistant Coach or designated chaperone. There will be no exceptions of this rule.

On away trips parents traveling to a contest must checkout their child from the site event.

For the safety and supervision, all athletes must remain with the coach during the duration of the trip. Athletes who are supervised by their parents are no longer the responsibility of the coaches.

The conduct of the players must be respectful and appropriate on the bus, the athletes are to respect to rules of the bus driver and behave accordingly to and from the game. If the athletes misbehave and the disrespectful to the driver school consequences will occur.

Students are expected to have a ride or leave the premises within 15 minutes of the end of practice or upon return and away game. Coaches or MDS staff cannot take athletes home from school or after returned game. The following are regulations MDS coaches will follow:

1. First offense: Athletic Director will be notified and warning letter will follow to the parents/guardian.
2. Second offense: Athletic Director, Principal will be notified, athlete will not be allowed to go on next away game.
3. Third offense: Local authorities will be notified, Athletic Director, Principal and Athlete will not be allowed on away contest.

Social Media

Student athletes are high profile representatives of Moencopi Day School, and their behavior is subject to examination by their peers, the campus, community and the media. Athlete may not negatively disrespect Moencopi Day School through social media. Moencopi Day School can take action and result in removal from the team.

Annual Sports Awards

A sports banquet for each of the following season: Fall, Winter and Spring sports will be planned for the athletes. The banquet is planned to recognize our student athletes for their accomplishments in sport. This event is organized by athletics department and a group of volunteers. Athletes who complete the season will be invited to the end of the season banquet.

All-Around Athlete Award

All-around athlete award is awarded to athletes who accomplished participating in all Fall, winter, spring sports. The following rules will apply to all around athlete.

1. Athlete must participate and complete season in Fall, Winter, Spring sports.
2. Athlete must be present at ALL scheduled/rescheduled competition event.
3. Athlete must be present at ALL practices.
4. Athlete must not be ineligible during the duration of their time in any sports program.

Moencopi Day School

STUDENT- VARSITY ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY CHECK FORM

Office Use Only

Date Rec'vd:

Student-Athlete Name: _____ **Due:**

Teachers,

This is an attempt to verify the eligibility status of the student- athlete listed above. Student Athletes must maintain "Good Academic" standing in all academic areas to participate. An athlete that is ineligible three times will be dropped from the team. Parents will be notified when the athlete is ineligible and the athlete will be sent to afterschool tutoring/ homework help if available. Students can become ineligible due to Academic Status or Incident (must provide documentation). Class behavior *alone* will not be counted against an athlete, however, if classroom behavior is a factor of the academic status, please make note in the comment box.

Thank you!

Subject	Minimally Proficient	Partially Proficient	Proficient	Comments	Recommendation	Teacher Initials
* Math						
*Reading						
*ELA						
Culture						
Greenhouse						
Library						
P.E.						
G/T (if applicable)						

Parent Signature

Date

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

After reviewing the results above, the student-athlete mentioned above is **ELIGIBLE/ INELIGIBLE** to participate in upcoming athletic events. Ineligible students may regain eligibility once adequate progress is made and confirmed by the class teacher.

Athletic Director

Date

Moencopi Day School

JV ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY FORM

Teacher's Name and Grade Level: _____ Due Date: _____

Coaches,

The following students have been placed on athletic ineligibility. Letters have gone home to the parents informing them of their students' academic status. Please see the recommendations column for the teacher's recommendations to aid in their reinstatement. Thank you!

Students can fail due to: **Academic Status or Incident; class behavior will not count against the athlete.**

No.	Student Athlete	Pass	Fail	Subject	Recommendation
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Teacher Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Athletes Must:

1. Maintain and keep a passing grade in all academic areas to participate.
2. An athlete that is ineligible three times will be removed from the team.
3. Parents will be notified when the athlete is ineligible and the athlete will be sent to afterschool tutoring/ homework help if available.

***Individual letters will be sent home with students declared ineligible)**

PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S)/SPECTATORS CONDUCT

Spectators (parents, other Adults, and student)

All spectators of any contest must set positive role modeling for MDS students. It is the responsibility of MDS Parent/Guardian(s) to control themselves in a respectable manner as well as maintain their extended family members or friends whom attend all sporting events.

As a student athlete parent/guardian I.....

1. Pledge to provide positive support, care and encouragement to my student/athlete and his/her team, coaches and school.
2. Pledge to provided positive support and encouragement to the visiting team, their coaches, and school.
3. Will maintain positive behavior and attitude at all athletic events.
4. Will respect the position and professionalism of the game officials.
5. Will refrain from the use of foul language.
6. Will refrain from yelling criticism at my student/athlete and his or her coach or team.
7. Will refrain from interfering with the coach.
8. Will be willing to let the coach be responsible for my son or daughter during practice, games. And team related activities.
9. Will refrain from making derogatory comments to players, other parents, game officials, or school administrators.
10. Will sign and submit, with accurate information, all required participation forms to the registrar.
11. Will refrain from interfering with practices or games.
12. Will respect and accept with dignity the final decision of officials.
13. I remember that the game is for the youth-NOT FOR ADULTS.
14. I will not force my child to participate in athletic sports sponsored by Moencopi Day School.
15. I will be aware of the participation policies.
16. I will be positive role model for my child and all participating athletes and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy to all coaches, officials, spectators and other teams.
17. I will encourage my child to do their best. They are here to learn the fundamentals of athletic sports.
18. I will teach my child to obey the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.

19. I will not expect coaches to use their personal cell phones to make calls for my child.
20. I will praise my child and never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake or losing a game.
21. I will sign out my child with the Coach or Assistant Coach after the sport activity to ensure their safety. On away games, I will take my child home if I attend the game.
22. I will pick up my child on time after practice and /or after games. If I cannot pick-up my child, I will have another member on the check-out sheet or a written note for someone else to pick my child up. If a parent/guardian is late (15minutes or more) 2 consecutive times, as a result, your child will not be permitted to attend remaining away games.
23. I will not coach players from the sideline during the games because it may cause confusion and cause conflicts between the players and the coach. **Please let the coaches' coach.**
24. I will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any officials, coaches, athletes, or parents, such as booing, taunting, or using obscene language or gestures. I understand that I may be escorted off school grounds or participating event location as a result.
25. I will not confront any coaches, officials, or players during a game or after a game. Such behaviors may result in a disqualification of our team and be escorted off school or participating grounds.
26. Parent/Guardian/Fans are not permitted to pace (run with) their students during competitions.

Any concerns you may have can be directed to the Coach through a letter of concern.

Parents, Coaches, and Players who do not follow the Moencopi Day School Code of Conduct will be subject to this Corrective Action Policy. It is the policy of the Moencopi Day School Athletic Program that parents, guardian, and spectators should not spoil the experience of participation in youth sports for the children. Furthermore, the athletic program will never punish a child for the actions of his or her parent/guardian(s), coach, spectators.

Moencopi Day School reserves the right to take measures it believes appropriate under circumstances. Moencopi Day School will consider the severity of the conduct and the frequency of similar or other violations of conduct by parent, guardian, spectator.

Penalties or Violations: (see next page)

- 1st offense- verbal/written warning: Athletic Director will notify parent, guardian or spectator at the time of offense and stress that this behavior will not be tolerated. Information will be received at the time and sent a letter of verbal warning and discussion with Athletic Director. The school principal will be notified of the situation that occurred.
- 2nd offense- Offender will be asked to leave the event and escorted out by Athletic Director, School Principal or Security. A written letter will be sent and documentation will be sent to the Administrating office. (subject to change with severity of actions)
- 3rd offense- Season Ban: The parent, guardian, or spectator will be banned from attending games for the remainder of the season. The Parent, Guardian, or Spectator will then have to make a form request to be re-instated.

