

**DEPARTMENT OF ATHLETICS
SOUTH RANGE LOCAL SCHOOLS
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STUDENT PARTICIPATION CONDUCT CODE

In order to learn good sportsmanship, respect for rules and authority, establish leadership, team pride, teamwork, team discipline, as well as eliminate disruptive influences, disturbances in the locker room, on the practice field, and/or in the games, on trips, and off school grounds in a school sponsored sports activities, the following guidelines are hereby endorsed by the Athletic Department and the Board of Education and apply to all participants in all activities within the full spectrum of the athletic program.

We strongly believe that the athlete is a person who has a very strong influence both within the student body and in the community. Athletes are constantly being observed, and we believe they have the responsibility for demonstrating intelligent leadership to those with whom they come in contact.

I Violation of any of the following rules will result in the student athlete being prohibited from participating in the sport in which the violation of the rules has occurred.

1. No athlete or cheerleader shall possess, use, transmit, sell, conceal or consume any alcoholic beverage or intoxicant or any other drugs in any form, at any time, during the athletic season. Use of controlled substances, alcohol, and tobacco is extremely detrimental to any young person at any time.
2. No athlete or cheerleader shall take part in any activity, practice or contest unless he/she has completed and turned in to the athletic director the required OHSAA physical form, insurance waiver form, and/or any other student participation form prior to participation.
3. Each athlete or cheerleader must be passing five (5) credits or their equivalent or classroom work leading toward graduation as well as maintaining a 1.0 GPA to sustain eligibility. In addition, each athlete must meet all eligibility rules as designated by the Ohio High School Athletic Association and the local Board of Education.

II Violation of any of the following rules shall result in disciplinary action and possible suspension from practice and/or games

1. All participants must adhere to the rules and regulation set by the individual coaches.
2. No athlete or cheerleader shall steal, destroy, or deface any private or public, personal or real property.
3. All participants must be dressed and groomed in a reasonable style as set by each coach during his/her season. Those individuals who participate are committed to represent South Range in the best possible manner.
4. All participants should have pride in themselves, their team, and in their school, and

should show respect for their opponents, coaches, teammates, teachers, and parents.

5. All participants must refrain from the use of profane, indecent, or obscene language either verbally or in writing. Included in this prohibition is the use of obscene gestures, signs, pictures, or publications.
6. All participants must control their tempers, and refrain from overt outbursts.
7. All participants shall follow the items listed in the Player's Responsibility section (attached) and shall obey the directions of the coaches.
 - These guidelines are for all athletic programs. Each head coach is encouraged and has the right to supplement guidelines approved by the athletic director and the principal that he/she feels will enhance or add stature and effectiveness to his/her activity. Students must obey these specific sport rules and regulations as well.
 - The Athletic Participant Conduct Code will be in continuous effect from the date that particular sport is in season. A student may not participate in conditioning, practice, or a game until the student and parent/guardian have read, signed and returned the copy of the policy to his/her coach. These forms will be filed in the office of the athletic director.
 - Any athlete or cheerleader who is under disciplinary suspension from the school is not eligible for participation in either practice or competition during the suspension. Any athlete or cheerleader expelled from school is automatically prohibited from participation in the sport in which he/she has been participating.

My signature indicates that I have read and understand the Athletic Participation Conduct Code and the player's responsibility sheet. I do agree to follow this code as a member of a South Range Athletic team or squad.

Sport: _____
Grade: _____

Date: _____
Student Signature

Date: _____
Parent/Guardian Signature