

## ACTIVITY CONTRACT

### IX. PARTICIPATION RULES

We at St. Albert Jr.-Sr. High School believe that participation in extra-curricular activities is a valuable way to learn Christian living skills. There are many lifelong rewards to be gained by taking part in individual and group activities. Consistent with the enjoyment of those rewards is the responsibility to prepare to the best of one's ability to represent oneself and our school. This contract is intended to assist participants in athletics, music, speech, drama, cheerleading, and dance team, both in and out of season, with meeting those responsibilities.

As a participant in St. Albert's school activities, I understand that the following rules, regulations, and procedures are to be observed through the entire year.

- I. I understand that I am subject to all school rules as contained in the Parent/Student Handbook and Code of Conduct. According to those rules, I will be excluded from participation for:
  1. Being suspended—until the subsequent probation is successfully completed.
  2. Being placed on full probation—until the probation is successfully completed.
  3. Failing to comply with the Iowa High School Athletic Association Code. (Posted in locker rooms)

Attendance at practice is at the coach's discretion.

- II. I also agree to follow the academic eligibility requirements on page 27 in the Parent/Student Handbook.

1. School Attendance and Discipline:
  - a. To take part in or practice for any school activity on a school day, I must be in attendance before the beginning of the 4th class period of the school day unless I am excused by the assistant principal or principal. (e.g. for a funeral, doctor's appointment, etc.) and I must also obtain an excused admit slip from the office for any class period missed. Please note that mass is considered a class period.
  - b. If I am sent to the office from class or study hall for a disciplinary reason, I may be ineligible to participate in any contest that day. Eligibility will be determined by the administration. If I am ineligible for a contest, I must inform the coach of my activity.
  - c. In the case of arriving home after 12:00 midnight from an out of town competition, the activity sponsor may excuse the student participants' absence from first period classes the following day. All student participants should report to school by 2nd class period of the school day. **Please note that mass is considered a class period.** The activity sponsor should notify the office of the permission.
2. Practice Sessions:
  - a. I agree to attend all practice sessions. Only absences excused by the head sponsor of my activity are acceptable. Coaches will set team rules that address dismissal from a team.
  - b. I agree to serve all acquired detentions during the assigned time or I will not be eligible to practice or perform. I understand I am responsible for any tardies to or absences from practice as a result of my detentions and that such practice irregularities will be subject to the discretion of the head sponsor of my activity.
3. I assume complete responsibility for all clothing/equipment issued to me and will pay replacement costs for any item(s) damaged or lost. I will not be eligible to begin practice for my next activity until all equipment and uniforms are turned in.
4. I agree to cooperate with my sponsor in all respects.

5. I agree to control my anger and never use any profanity or obscene gestures as a means of venting my anger.
6. I agree to respect all decision of the officials.
7. I agree to maintain my hair and appearance in neat and trim fashion and dress according to established guidelines for all out-of town activities.
8. I agree that as a participant of one or more activities, regardless of whether or not that activity is in progress, I am responsible for any actions that can cause any embarrassment or negative repercussions to the school.
9. I agree to refrain from the use and/or possession of ALL tobacco products.
10. I agree to refrain from the use of ALL alcoholic beverages or controlled substances except as prescribed by a licensed medical professional.
11. I understand that it is my responsibility to respect the property of others. I agree that I am responsible for any of my own actions that cause vandalism, destruction of property and theft of others' property. All property should be locked in the locker room or given to the coach to hold for security reasons.
12. I agree to comply with the rules regarding transportation to and from activity trips.
13. I understand that each coach/sponsor may establish codes of conduct, which are in conformity with school rules but particular to the specific activity.

The staff member in charge of an activity has the responsibility to inform participants of these rules. In addition, that staff member has the authority to administer participation rules. Violations of these participation rules are to be brought to the attention of the activities director. When this results in disciplinary action being taken by the activities director, the participant's parents will be notified in writing. A participant who has been declared ineligible by the activities director/assistant principal may request in writing to have his/her case reviewed by the principal.

The following consequences are in effect if a student is determined to have violated tobacco or alcohol/controlled substance abuse rules.

- I. Possession/use of tobacco in any form
  1. 1<sup>st</sup> offense (in season): 1 day In-School suspension – 15 school day exclusion from all extracurricular activities.
  2. 2<sup>nd</sup> offense (in season): 3 days In-School suspension – 20 school day exclusion from all extracurricular activities and dismissal from the team.
- II. Consumption, use, possession or transmission of illegal drugs or alcohol or misuse of prescription drugs or inhalants
  1. 1<sup>st</sup> offense (in season): 3 day In-School suspension – 15 school day exclusion from all extracurricular activities.
  2. 2<sup>nd</sup> offense (in season): 3 days In-School suspension – and dismissal from the team.

We have read the above rules and voluntarily agree to cooperate with them and accept the penalties for code violations.

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

Parent(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Sport(s) \_\_\_\_\_