KIEL MIDDLE SCHOOL

Student Co-Curricular Handbook

2018-2019

KIEL MIDDLE SCHOOL SPORTS OFFERINGS

FALL

Cross Country---6th/7th/8th Grade Boys and Girls

Flag Football---5th/6th Boys and Girls ***No Physical Required***

Volleyball---7th/8th Girls

WINTER

Boys Basketball---7th/8th Grade

Girls Basketball---7th/8th Grade

Intramural Basketball---5th/6th Grade Boys and Girls ***No Physical Required***

Wrestling---5th/6th/7th/8th Grade Boys and Girls

SPRING

Track and Field---7th/8th Grade Boys and Girls

These are the ***SCHOOL SPONSORED*** athletic teams. For these sports the athletes will need to have the following forms turned in BEFORE they will be allowed to participate in practice:

-Physical or Alternate Year Card
-Signed Athletic Code
-Insurance Waiver
-Concussion Agreement
-Sports Fee

There are also other COMMUNITY BASE programs that are not associated with school.

-Youth Football—David Meyer
-KABA (Kiel Area Basketball Association)—John Dahmer
-Kiel Youth Wrestling—Buddy Kienbaum
-Kiel Rec Swimming—Missy Brandt

MISSION & BELIEF STATEMENTS

Mission

The mission of the Kiel Middle School is to actively challenge all students to grow and develop above and beyond expectations by offering a wide range of positive experiences that address the transitional needs of middle school students in a safe and supportive environment.

We Believe:

1. The district wide belief statements reflect the needs of middle school students.
2. The middle school student is going through rapid, dramatic changes physically, mentally, socially, and emotionally.
3. Student success is promoted by an environment, which reflects and adjusts to middle school student needs.
4. Student growth is developed through guidance in life skills.

The Kiel Middle School is in agreement with other Eastern Shores Middle Level Conference schools that all athletic programs will operate on an all play, no cut policy. It is the intent of middle level athletics to provide a positive learning experience for all players, and not just a competitive atmosphere for a few. The following sections will provide a variety of information that coaches should know.

Goals:

The athletic program will provide participants with opportunities:

1. To learn to strive for excellence
2. To help students develop leadership skills and responsibility
3. To provide opportunities for personal enjoyment
4. To promote teamwork, with the development of such qualities as loyalty, sacrifice and cooperation
5. To provide sufficient activities to offer an outlet for a wide variety of students abilities and interests
6. To foster the development of self-confidence in both individual and team skills
7. To promote the ideals of good sportsmanship and fairness that make for winning and losing graciously
8. To provide students with opportunities to practice self-discipline and gain the emotional maturity to make decisions under pressure
9. To promote general physical, emotional and social well being
10. To generate a sense of pride and unity in athletic programs for students, staff and community

MIDDLE SCHOOL CO-CURRICULAR CODE

These rules apply to students participating in Kiel Middle School athletics (interscholastic and intramural) or co-curricular activities that meet during the regular school day.

Eligibility/Violations

A. A participant who receives a grade of "F" or "Incomplete" in any subject (academic and/or exploratory) on their interim or end of term report card shall be ineligible for interscholastic/intramural competition until such time the grade deficiency or incompletion has been rectified.

B. A participant who receives an "Incomplete" on an assessment and/or receives an academic/life-long skills proficiency score of 1.5 or less on their interim or end of term report card shall be ineligible for interscholastic/intramural competition until such time the grade deficiency or incompletion has been rectified.

A participant is a student who is involved in a sport or activity as a player or manager.

A student identified as ineligible may practice; however, it must be clear that academic assistance takes priority over attending practice. In addition, the ineligible student may not participate in any "competition" until they have completed a weekly grade check form. "Competition" may be interscholastic competition (volleyball, boys basketball, girls basketball, wrestling), may be intramural in nature (5th/6th grade basketball, flag football) or an activity (student council/chess club/peer leaders).

A participant may request reinstatement when all grades have been raised to a passing level. The participant shall request reinstatement by having the attached weekly eligibility form filled out and submitting it to the Athletic Director. **The reinstated participant will be required to submit a weekly academic form to the Activities Director on Monday of each week for the remainder of the season.** Participants who fail to turn in their weekly academic checks will be allowed to participate in practice however they will not be eligible to participate in interscholastic and/or intramural competition during that week.

An athlete may not compete if they become sixteen (16) before August 1 of any school year.

C. Code Violations
1. Illegal drugs or control substances, including but not limited to use, sale, possession or possession of paraphernalia
2. Alcoholic beverages, tobacco, and electronic cigarettes in any form, including but not limited to use, possession, purchase or transportation.

Disciplinary Action for Violations

All penalties/ suspensions will be calculated by length of season or number of activities throughout the school year.
First Violation – 25% of a season's competitions or activities
Second Violation – 50% of a season's competitions or activities
Third Violation – Suspension from all co-curricular activities for 50% of one calendar year
Fourth and Subsequent Violations – one year suspension from all co-curricular activities.

Athletic Participation Fee

A participation fee is required. The fee is $20 per activity, $40 maximum for each student. There is also a $150 family maximum for District wide participation by multiple family members. This fee is to be paid in the office.

Concussion Awareness

Per State Statute 118.293 each athlete and parent/guardian is required to sign acknowledgment of receiving information on Concussion Awareness. The law requires all youth athletic organizations to educate coaches, athletes and parents on the risks of concussions and head injuries and prohibits participation in a youth activity until the athlete and parent or guardian has returned a signed agreement sheet indicating they have reviewed the concussion and head injury informational materials. The law requires immediate removal of an individual from a youth athletic activity if symptoms indicate a possible concussion has been sustained. A person, who has been removed from a youth athletic activity because of a determined or suspected concussion or head injury, may not participate again until he or she is evaluated by a health care provider and receives written clearance from the health care provider to return to the activity.

Attendance and Scholarship

The Kiel Area School District encourages all students to strive for perfect attendance, emphasizing that regular attendance is essential to the pursuit of excellence.

A. A student must be in attendance the full day in order to be eligible to compete/participate. Exceptions to this rule include:
   1. School sponsored activity
   2. Cases of family emergency (approved by administration)
   3. Written medical excuse from physician
   4. Doctor/Dentist appointments (The student will be required to validate appointments prior to being able to compete/participate
   5. Others at administration's discretion

B. A student who is truant (unexcused absence) from school one or more periods on a given day while a participant in interscholastic athletics or intramural activities shall be ineligible to compete in the next contest in that activity. The penalty shall repeat for each day on which such truancy occurs.

C. A student who is ill during a school day will be withheld from participating in interscholastic or intramural activities that day.

3. General

A. The school assumes all students have adequate insurance coverage under their parent's insurance plans. The athlete will be required to have on file with the athletic director an insurance waiver prior to any participation. The school will be involved with no other insurance carrier due to inadequate interest.

4. Conduct

A. All interscholastic or intramural participants are expected to set positive examples by their conduct at all times.

B. General conduct of participants is governed at all times by the same set of expectations and consequences as all other members of the student body. Students need to be aware that the

statement above is meant to be inclusive of all situations where the individual is participating in the middle school program whether engaged in home or away contests, practices, or other travel associated with the activity.

C. Coaches are expected to enforce school wide expectations; however, they may also place additional consequences upon the participants that are pertinent, reasonable, and compatible with other guidelines. Additional expectations placed by the coach should be fully explained and presented to the students in writing.

D. Participants who demonstrate repeated inappropriate behavior or behavior that threatens the safety and welfare of other participants or staff may be suspended from participation for all or part of the season.

5. Coach's/Advisor's Responsibilities

A. The coach/advisor is responsible for effectively administering the various aspects of the program.

B. The coach/advisor is expected to identify and assist in the counseling of students who are having academic or behavioral problems.

C. The coach/advisor should effectively plan and supervise all practices, contests or activity.

D. The coach/advisor shall provide an environment that facilitates student participation and promotes an atmosphere of good sportsmanship.

E. The coach/advisor shall maintain a program that reflects the concepts of the Kiel Middle School.

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Weekly Academic Check for Co-curricular Activities

***TO BE TURNED IN ON MONDAY BEFORE ACTIVITY OR PRACTICE!**

_____ _____ _____

Name Date Period of Check

SUBJECT	LETTER GRADE/ PERCENTAGE/PROFIECENTCY	TEACHER'S SIGNATURE	DATE
Mathematics			
Science			
Social Studies			
Communication Arts			
Exploratory 1A ( )			
Exploratory 2A ( )			
Exploratory 1B ( )			
Exploratory 2B ( )			
Band			
Chorus			

**** A grade of "F" or "Incomplete" following ineligibility or reinstatement will result in ineligible status for one week.**

** Failure to turn in the "Weekly Academic Check" on Monday will result in suspension from meeting/interscholastic competition that week. Missed academic checks will be referred to the Principal for review.

_____ _____

Middle School Athletic Director Signature Date

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SAMPLE

KIEL MIDDLE SCHOOL CO-CURRICULAR CODE

PARENT/ ATHLETE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Co-curricular activities are an integral part of the Kiel Middle School curriculum. While our number one goal as a school district is to provide a sound academic experience for all our students, co-curricular activities provide unique opportunities for students to promote their mental, physical, social, and emotional development. By providing a strong co-curricular program, Kiel Middle School extends the privilege of enriching the mind and body to any student meeting middle school eligibility requirements. If accepted, this privilege carries certain responsibilities, and this co-curricular code presents these responsibilities. Rules are an integral part of a co-curricular program and are necessary to skill development, good health, and the self-discipline of the individual participant. They are also necessary to generate a sense of pride and unity in co-curricular programs for students, staff, and community.

CO-CURRICULAR PARTICIPANT

I hereby acknowledge that I have read the Kiel Middle School Co-Curricular Code and understand the rules. Coaches/advisors may provide additional guidelines and expectations that exceed the co-curricular code for their participants.

_____ _____

(Participant's Signature) **(Date)**

PARENTS

We hereby acknowledge, as parents/guardians of _____ that we have read and understand the Kiel Middle School Co-Curricular Code and support the enforcement of the rules.

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(Parent's Signature) **(Date)**

PLEASE CIRCLE GRADE IN SCHOOL

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Kiel Area School District
2018-2019

Student Legal Name: _____ Grade: _____

Kiel Middle School and High School
Co-Curricular Insurance Information and Acknowledgement of Injury Risk

I am informed and acknowledge that participation in co-curricular activities presents a possible risk of personal injury and property damage. National experience has shown that injuries occurring in the course of participation in co-curricular activities may be mild, moderate, severe, or catastrophic.

I have been informed and acknowledge that the Kiel Area School District does not carry or provide group or individual insurance to provide compensation for potential claims arising out of participation in student co-curricular activities, to include but not limited to, claims for personal injury, medical expenses, and property damage.

I acknowledge that claims for personal injury, medical expense, and related claims, which arise as the result of participation in co-curricular activities, should be presented to my insurance carrier who has primary responsibility for providing compensation. Check one of the following statements and fill out the information as appropriate.

☐ My parents/legal guardians do not carry health or accident insurance.

☐ I am currently insured with the insurance company identified below, which provides coverage against the potential risks presented by participation in student co-curricular activities within the Kiel Area School District.

Name of Insurance Co: _____

Pursuant to the requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 and the regulations promulgated thereunder (collectively known as "HIPPA"), I authorize health care providers of the student named above, including emergency medical personnel and other similarly trained professional that may be attending an interscholastic event or practice, to disclose/exchange essential medical information regarding the injury and treatment of this student to appropriate school district personnel such as but not limited to: Principal, Athletic Director, Athletic Trainer, Team Physician, Team Coach, Administrative Assistant to the Athletic Director and/or other professional health care providers, for purposes of treatment, emergency care and injury record-keeping. I hereby authorize the staff of the Kiel Area School District to provide and secure any medical assistance or emergency treatment (above and beyond any routine contact with the athletic trainer/team doctor) on behalf of my son/daughter if I cannot be reached.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____ Relationship to Student: _____

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