# Scurry-Rosser Independent School District Athletic Department Discipline Policy

\*Disclosure - SRISD athletics will follow all school policy and school regulations as set forth by the Superintendent of Schools and the Board of Trustees.

It is the goal of the SRISD athletic department to develop quality young men and women. We feel that a discipline policy serves as a guideline for how we expect our student-athletes to act. We also believe that our policy will help produce a better prepared person to enter society as an adult. We are convinced that the following policy is one that will be fair and effective in maintaining a high level of discipline within our athletic program.

## **Responsibility of the Student Athlete**

The student/athlete must realize that they not only represent themselves, but their teammates, school, and coaches as well. With this in mind, the student-athlete assumes much more responsibility than the average student.

# **Responsibility of the Coaching Staff**

It is imperative that each coach takes responsibility for enforcing the discipline policy. All inappropriate behavior must be corrected, documented, and kept on file. The athletic department shall have a file on each individual athlete.

Disciplinary action will be handled with 3 levels of response. With each subsequent infraction the student may be moved to the next level of discipline.

Repeated misconduct may result in the student-athlete being suspended and/or removed from athletics totally.

<u>Examples of offenses</u>: Missed meeting, missed practice, fighting, any office referral, skipping class, excessive tardiness, conduct detrimental to our programs image, insubordination, stealing, suspension from school, possession or use of alcohol or drugs confirmed by a school administrator or law enforcement agency, repeated abuse of illness or injury policy.

## **Student Code of Conduct**

Athletes are subject to disciplinary action for violations of the Scurry-Rosser Student Code of Conduct.

## Level 1

Conference with the Head Coach, plus parent notification. Reminder list activities to help reinforce the level of commitment we have to teach our kids the importance of "Doing What's Right."

## Level 2

Conference with the Head Coach, plus parent notification/conference, plus increased reminders from level 1. Parents should be informed that their child could face suspension upon their next offense of any type.

## Level 3

Conference with Head Coach, Athlete, and Parent. Suspension and reinstatement provisions to be determined by the Head Coach/Athletic Director.

# **ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT EXPECTATIONS**

# 1) General Conduct

All SRISD athletes will be expected to uphold a very high standard of conduct. We should understand that all athletes "live in glass houses". This simply means that your actions will be noticed by all of your fellow students, your teachers, your family, and members of your community. Realizing this you should:

- a) Not cause trouble in class
- b) Show respect for all teachers and administrators
- c) Show respect for all fellow students
- d) Act with class while representing SRISD
- e) Be mindful that any use of social media falls under the Student Code of Conduct, and the Athletic Department Discipline Policy

<sup>\*</sup>Any failure to meet these expectations will result in immediate disciplinary action.

## 2)Attendance

DO NOT MISS!! Do not miss class, practice, or meetings. DO NOT BE LATE! Always be early to class, practice, and meetings. If you must miss or are late, you must inform the Coaches prior to the meeting or practice time (this includes missing school or the athletic period). Please do not make appointments (doctor, dentist) during athletic time. Any player that has an unexcused absence or tardy will be disciplined.

3) Any player failing two consecutive six weeks may be removed from the program. This may occur immediately or at the end of a term depending on scheduling situations.

## 4)Injury or Illness

Any player that is sick or injured should report to the Athletic Trainer and their Coach. The trainer will recommend treatment of injuries and make recommendations as to whether to see a doctor. If they player is ill or injured we will not expect them to work out, but if they are healthy enough to attend practice they will be expected to dress out and go with their position to practice. All conditioning missed may have to be made up before the player can participate in a game. A note from the trainer or doctor is required before a player can be excused from practice. Anyone abusing this policy will face Level 3 discipline.

## 5)Quitting

WILDCATS NEVER QUIT!! Quitting in the middle of the season will not be allowed. If there is a legitimate reason for "dropping" the sport, it must be done with the Head Coach and the Athletic Director.

## **IMPORTANT LINKS:**

UIL Athletics: www.uil.utexas.edu/athletics/