

# **Providence Christian Academy**

## **Excerpts from Athletic Policy/ Guidelines Manual**

At Providence Christian Academy, our goal is to represent Christ in all things, uphold the PCA Code of Conduct and enable PCA student athletes to put into practice on the field the character being developed at home and in the classroom. In order to clarify, strengthen and provide a cohesive athletic program for our students, these policies and guidelines have been set forth by the PCA Athletic Committee Members and PCA Board of Directors. The intent of these policies and guidelines is to ensure the understanding of the expectations and standards anticipated from students, coaches and administration.

1. Adherence to the PCA Core Values & Code of Conduct
  - A. All Students will be required to adhere to the PCA Code of Conduct that is signed prior to the first day of school each year.
  - B. Any dismissal or suspension will result in the athlete being withheld from any and all practices and games for the remainder of the school year or upcoming school year. Reinstatement can be considered for the following season and all decisions regarding reinstatement of athletes will be determined by the Administration and Athletic Director.
  - C. When at a school event of any type, exemplary Christian behavior of all involved is expected so that we may represent well our Lord and school. This involves modeling the Code of Conduct and abstaining from alcohol, illegal drugs, tobacco use, profanity, for all we do takes place – *coram Deo* – before the face of God.
2. Academic Requirements
  - A. A 75 overall grade average must be maintained in order to participate in athletic competitions.
  - B. If a student receives an overall average below 75 or a failing grade (69 or below) in any subject, on a progress report or report card, the student will receive a written warning. The student will be given until the next grading report to bring the grade up to a 75 average or better. At the end of the warning period, if the student does not have a 75 average or has a failing grade in any subject, he/she will sit out of athletic competitions for 4 weeks.
3. Home-schooled Students
  - A. All non-PCA students (students not enrolled during the current year) who participate in PCA athletics, should honor all guidelines and meet athletic academic requirements.
4. Entrance Fees

Entrance fees will be charged at each Jr. High and Sr. High event as suggested by Athletic Committee and Athletic Director. Coaches' spouses and the immediate family members of student athletes will be exempt from fees.
5. Transportation

Transportation to and from all practices and games will be the responsibility of parents. All drivers must follow PCA's fieldtrip driver guidelines as stated in school policy manual.
6. Dual Sports

Athletes will not incur repercussions if they choose not to participate in practices for a sport out of that sport's season.
7. Attendance

If any student is absent the day of a scheduled athletic competition they will not be permitted to play in that game. They may however attend the game and sit with the team as a supporter, but may not compete. If the student checks into school before or prior to 11:00 a.m. they will be considered in attendance for the day and be allowed to compete.