## 2021-2022 SEMINOLE COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL SPORTS PROGRAM

### **MIDDLE SCHOOL SPORTS MISSION**

#### THE MIDDLE SCHOOL SPORTS PROGRAM WILL PROVIDE A SAFE AND ORGANIZED ENVIRONMENT FOR FRIENDLY COMPETITION BETWEEN THE 12 MIDDLE SCHOOLS IN THE SEMINOLE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL SPORTS PROGRAM GOALS:

#### •1. HAVE FUN 🙂

#### **•2. SKILL DEVELOPMENT**

#### **•**3. LEARN THE GAME

#### •4. LEARN WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A PART OF A TEAM

•5. PRACTICE GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP

### **STRUCTURE OF THE SPORTS PROGRAM**

#### CROSS COUNTRY – 1<sup>ST</sup> 9 WEEKS

TRACK - 2<sup>ND</sup> 9 WEEKS

- VOLLEYBALL- 3<sup>RD</sup> 9 WEEKS
- BASKETBALL- 4<sup>TH</sup> 9 WEEKS



### **COACHES ARE EXPECTED TO:**

#### • TREAT PLAYERS, PARENTS, OPPONENTS, AND OFFICIALS WITH RESPECT

#### • TEACH AND INSPIRE PLAYERS TO LOVE THE GAME AND COMPETE FAIRLY AND IN A SPORTSMANLIKE MANNER

#### MODEL APPROPRIATE BEHAVIOR AND SPORTSMANSHIP

### **COACHES EXPECTATIONS CONTINUED:**

- MAINTAIN CONTROL OF THEIR PLAYERS AND COMMAND DISCIPLINE AT ALL TIMES
- RESPECT AND ABIDE BY ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THEIR SPORT
- REALIZE THAT, AS COACHES, THEY ARE EDUCATORS AND, THEREFORE, UNDERSTAND THE SPORT THEY ARE COACHING AND THE PROPER BEHAVIOR FOR THAT SPORT

### **COACHES EXPECTATIONS CONTINUED:**

- MONITOR THE STUDENT ATHLETE'S GRADES (PROGRESS REPORTS AND REPORT CARDS) AND BEHAVIOR TO ENSURE THAT THE STUDENT ATHLETE'S ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE IS AT AN ACCEPTABLE LEVEL; AND
- REPORT ANY BREECH OF CONDUCT BY THEIR ATHLETES TO THE APPROPRIATE SCHOOL AUTHORITY (EXAMPLE: FIGHTING DURING AN ATHLETIC EVENT). THE STUDENT WILL BE SUBJECT TO THE APPROPRIATE DISCIPLINARY MEASURES ACCORDING TO THE SEMINOLE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS STUDENT CONDUCT AND DISCIPLINE CODE.

#### **PLAYERS ARE EXPECTED TO:**

#### COMPLY WITH A REASONABLE REQUEST, ORDER OR DIRECTION BY A COACH, ADMINISTRATOR OR AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL, AND WITH THE RULES OF THE GAME

#### • DEMONSTRATE SELF-CONTROL

• RESPECT AND ACCEPT ALL OFFICIAL'S CALLS AND DECISIONS WITHOUT GESTURES OR ARGUMENTS

### **PLAYER EXPECTATIONS CONTINUED:**

#### •WIN OR LOSE WITH DIGNITY AND CLASS

#### • KNOW THE TEAM ALWAYS COMES FIRST

#### SHOW RESPECT FOR YOUR COACHES, TEAMMATES, THE OPPOSITION'S COACHES AND PLAYERS, AND THE OFFICIALS

### **PLAYER EXPECTATIONS CONTINUED:**

#### •ADHERE TO ALL SCHOOL AND TEAM RULES;

- UNDERSTAND AND ABIDE BY THE *SEMINOLE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS STUDENTS CONDUCT AND DISCIPLINE CODE;* AND
- CONDUCT THEMSELVES AT ALL TIMES IN A MANNER THAT REPRESENTS CHARACTER AND SPORTSMANSHIP.

### **PARENTS ARE EXPECTED TO:**

#### • ACT AS POSITIVE ROLE MODELS AT ALL ATHLETIC EVENTS—YOUR Child will be very aware of your behavior

#### • SUPPORT THE COACH—THE TEAM IS THE COACH'S RESPONSIBILITY

#### • REFRAIN FROM COACHING FROM THE SIDELINES



### PARENT EXPECTATIONS CONTINUED: COMMUNICATE WITH THE COACH AND CREATE A POSITIVE, SUPPORTIVE WORKING RELATIONSHIP

## • RESPECT THE AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COACH;

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• REMEMBER THE PRIMARY VALUE OF ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION IS TO PROVIDE OUR YOUTH WITH AN OPPORTUNITY FOR SELF-DEVELOPMENT; PHYSICALLY, EMOTIONALLY AND MENTALLY;

### PARENT EXPECTATIONS CONTINUED:

- RESPECT THE JUDGMENT OF THE OFFICIALS AND REFRAIN FROM OPENLY CRITICIZING CALLS MADE BY THE OFFICIALS
- UNDERSTAND IT IS NOT APPROPRIATE TO ATTEMPT TO HAVE A CONFERENCE WITH THE COACH AT THE CONCLUSION OF AN ATHLETIC EVENT—WAIT UNTIL THE NEXT DAY AND CALL OR EMAIL FOR AN APPOINTMENT WITH THE COACH



### PARENT EXPECTATIONS CONTINUED:

- RECOGNIZE AND RESPECT THE DIFFERENT ROLES OF PARENTS, COACHES AND OFFICIALS—PARENTS SHOULD PARENT, COACHES SHOULD COACH, AND OFFICIALS SHOULD OFFICIATE, AND EACH SHOULD BE TREATED WITH DIGNITY AND RESPECT;
- ABIDE BY THE GUIDELINES ESTABLISHED IN SCPS POLICY 9.63 CIVILITY AND CONDUCT OF PARENTS, OTHER VISITORS TO SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL DISTRICT FACILITIES, AND DISTRICT EMPLOYEES (COPY PROVIDED).

# GOOD LUCK THIS SEASON!!!