



2023-2024 DLMS SPORTS POLICY TIER 1 & TIER 2 SOCCER TEAMS



Guidelines: (Tier 1 & Tier 2 Soccer Teams)

Our school believes that the major purpose of sports programs is to develop a student’s character and citizenship qualities. Our school teams emphasize:

- Attitude – the team comes first; we have a common goal.
- Sportsmanship – respect for our opponents and our teammates.
- Skill Development – this can be unique to each team from dribbling, throw ins, shooting, positions, plays etc.
- Commitment – attendance at practices, games, communication with coaches if you are not able to attend.
- Participation – The ASD-N coaching etiquette recommends that all players are given play time each game. There is no requirement for fair play. It is the etiquette; it is NOT a hard rule. There is no penalty or enforcement for failure to uphold this etiquette. Coaches who do not follow this approach may be responding to academic or behavioral issues or may be new and unaware of the expectation. If you have concerns, it is recommended that you speak with the coach regarding their play time philosophy.

_____ *Each team shall have a risk management plan in place if something goes wrong (cancelation or injury). This includes telephone chain, team roster with medical info / phone numbers / contact list.*

Requirements for Participation on School Sports Teams:

- Previously issued DLMS uniforms must be returned, and this sports policy must be returned signed by a guardian and the player in order to receive a uniform.
- Players are only to wear their uniforms for games or school/coach approved events in the community. Uniforms should NOT be worn in practice, gym class, or during the school day.
- Shin pads are mandatory for all players (including keepers). Appropriate footwear is required. Players are not required to wear molded cleats, but they are recommended, no metal cleats are allowed.

_____ *DLMS does not arrange or provide transportation to away games. It is the responsibility of the parents/guardians to arrange transportation for their own children to all games.*

- Students must maintain good academic standing and be working to the best of their ability.
- Students must be in good standing (behavior and academics) to participate. Players who falter in either of these areas can either be put on a **weekly check-in program or removed from the team.**

_____ *Students must have a good record of attendance. You must attend school on the day of a competition. There are circumstances that could lead to an exception (i.e., previously scheduled orthodontist’s appointment).*

- Students are responsible for returning uniforms to coaches at season’s end. Students who do not return their uniform must reimburse the school for the replacement cost of \$75.00.

Code for Parents, Coaches and Players:

- Parents/Guardians are welcome at games and tournaments, but tryouts and practices are closed activities limited to students, staff and coaches.
- We ask that parents follow parking guidelines and sign-in procedures when on school property between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.
- To model good sportsmanship. To refrain from criticizing officials, teammates, or coaches (No coaching from the sidelines.) To address concerns in private with the appropriate authority.
- All volunteer coaches must receive Policy 701 training (online).

Communications:

- This policy should be outlined to all students participating on sports teams and to their parents.
- Coaches may want to discuss their plans for following participation etiquette prior to the start of the game.
- Updates on last minute changes will often be posted on the DLMS Facebook page.

Please initial in the three spots provided above to indicate consent and return this form to DLMS.

Student Name: _____ Medicare Number: _____

Adult Contact Name: _____ Contact Signature: _____

Contact Phone #: _____ Date: _____