

## **Athletic Contract and Acknowledgement of Risk Form**

Each athlete and parent must sign the Athletic Contract for athletes and parents below, which outlines Trinity Christian School's (TCS) discipline policies, athletic department policies and parent/athlete assumption of risk to participate. The forms also are an acknowledgement by the athlete and parent that they agree to uphold the school policies in the TCS Athletic Handbook for Parents and Students. These signed forms are to be turned in upon registration for the student's participation in their first sport of the school year.

### **ATHLETE RESPONSIBILITY**

1. The athlete needs to understand that he/she is a representative of our Lord Jesus Christ as well as TCS, and as such is expected to behave in a manner becoming of a Christian and a TCS student.
2. The athlete will respect their coaches at all times.
3. The athlete will insure that he or she meets the academic requirements of TCS.
4. The athlete will care for all equipment and uniforms issued to him or her. They will report any lost or stolen equipment or uniforms to the coach immediately. The athlete may be held financially responsible for items that are misused or lost.
5. The athlete will show proper respect towards officials, opposing teams and coaches. The athlete will attend all practices or make arrangements if it is necessary to miss a practice. During holidays, a practice may be excused for travel or other obligations if requested prior to the missed practice. One practice may be excused during holiday breaks for any reasonable request.
6. The athlete will not receive his/her uniform or be able to practice until they have turned in the signed Athletic Contract and physical/medical forms, completed their annual baseline concussion test, and paid the \$60.00 athletic participation fee.

### **PARENT RESPONSIBILITY**

1. Parents should encourage their children to give 100% of themselves to represent Christ.
2. Parents should support their children by attending as many games or matches as possible.
3. Parents should always conduct themselves in a Christ-like manner during athletic events. Parents should realize that they are as responsible for representing TCS as are the coaches and players. Parents attending athletic contests are asked not to criticize officials, coaches, and players.
4. Parents need to realize that due to the varied talents of athletes on each team, playing time is not guaranteed. Encourage your child to improve his or her skills so that they can help the team.
5. Parents are asked to schedule vacations, doctor, dental and other appointments so as not to conflict with practices and games. Illness and death in the immediate family are excused absences. All other absences need the coaches' approval and must be requested prior to the missed practice.

6. Parents are responsible for the transportation arrangements of their student to and from practices and games. It is imperative that your son or daughter be picked up and dropped off for practices and games on time. Please be aware that athletes may be disciplined for being late to practice.
7. Parents should direct any questions regarding their student-athlete or manner of coaching to the coach directly. This should be done in a mature and responsible manner in private and if needed, by prior arrangements or appointments. Coaches should respond in a like manner.
8. Parents are required to work a minimum of 1 gate and 2 concession stand duties during the school year. Sign-ups will be available to coordinate coverage and allow for parents to work events other than the ones in which their child is a participant.
9. Each student must have turned in the signed Athletic Contract and physical/medical forms, completed their annual baseline concussion test, and paid the \$60.00 athletic participation fee prior to the first practice of their sport season.

I give permission for my son/daughter to participate in practice, games and all team-related activities. I understand there is risk in any sports-related activity. By signing this agreement, I assume all risks inherent in these activities and accept full responsibility for any and all damages or injuries of any kind; but I am also aware that reasonable care and supervision will be exercised by the coaching staff to provide for the general well-being of my child.

I understand and assume the risks described above and those inherent with such activities, and I individually, on behalf of my child, do hereby release and discharge and covenant not to sue Trinity Christian School, its officers, directors, employees, agents and/or volunteers for this activity and agree to hold them harmless from any and all claims whatsoever arising from the conduct of any person(s) which results in the injury or loss to my child or myself. I accept responsibility of notifying the school's coaching staff of any pre-existing conditions affecting my child.

My signature below indicates that I have read and have had an opportunity to ask questions regarding any of the policies or statements contained in the entire TCS Athletic Handbook, and agree to abide by these policies and statements.

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PARENT SIGNATURE

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STUDENT SIGNATURE

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PARENT PRINTED NAME

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STUDENT PRINTED NAME

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