**Classroom Conduct :**

Each player is required to condct herself in a manner that is consistent with the guidelines outlined in the school’s student handbook. They will always show repect to their teachers and fellow classmates. We wncourage them to be leaders and set good examples for each other to follow. All handbook rules apply for ISS and OSS.

1. In-School Suspension: Each case will be looked at on an individual basis and dealt with according to the severity of the infraction, with input from the AD. Multiple In-School Suspensions will result in the athlete being removed from the program.
2. Out-of –School Suspension: Mandatory competition suspension will be imposed equal to the player’s suspension. Depending on the severity of rom the program. The infraction, OSS can result in immediate removal from the program. The decision will be made by the Head Coach with input from the AD.
3. Teacher Complaint: Each athlete is responsible for their classroom conduct, if a teacher consistently has complaints about a player’s classroom behavior that a player will be subject to consequences outlined in their agreement.

**Harassment and Bullying (Fighting , including online):**

Any athlete who is suspected and been found to engage, encourage or partake in the harassment and fighting of others, to include those outside of the program, will meet with the Head Coach and AD and maybe subject to dismissal from the program.

These behaviors will NOT be tolerated! If an athlete suspects that someone is the victim of harassment and/or bullying they are highly encouraged to report it immediately. We have an open door policy meant to keep all our athletes and students in a safe environment and we can only do this with the help of players that value their teammates.

**Theft:**

Trust is a major component of our program. Any athlete susupected of stealing may face school disciplinary actions and if you are caught stealing, you will be removed from the program.

**Alcohol and Drugs:**

The use of alcohol, drugs and tobacco products are strictly prohibited. Athletes are subject to the rules and policies governed in the student handbook for the Henry County School Board of Education, ***including acts pertaining to social media and online presence***

1. Removal from the program.
2. School disciplinary action
3. County disciplinary action

**Inappropriate Language:**

Inappropriate language will NOT be tolerated. It is encouraged that our athletes use language that encourages younger athletes and teammates. We will work hard to create a competitive environment free of racial insults and connotation, sexual innuendos, cursing and any other derogatory language that may be offensive if uttered.

1. 1st offense, the athlete will be required to apologize
2. 2nd offense will result in a game day suspension and parent conference
3. 3rd offense will result in a meeting with the Head Coach and AD, in which the athlete will be subject to removal from the program.

**Equipment and Practice:**

Each athlete is responsible for their uniform package and are required to have all pieces necessary for each day of competition and practice. Failure to show up with all equipment will negatively impact the athlete’s playing time.

Our athlete’s appearance speaks a lot about them as a person, the school and is a direct representative of our program; therefore, our goal is to project a positive image that we can all be proud of.

1. Practice uniform will be worn for every practice, unless otherwise dictated by the coaching staff. When permitted to wear anything other than the practice uniform, anything that is deemed offensive is prohibited. Please dress respectfully.
2. Game uniform is the only uniform authorized for wear during competitions. Unless permission has been granted for additional apparel that is not WMS, players are required to wear ONLY WMS attire. This includes home and away games.
3. Jewelry is prohibited in practice and competition. All jewelry should be removed before practice and prior to getting on the bus for travel to competition. Make sure you thoroughly secure your valuables to prevent loss and theft.

Travel and Bus Behavior:

We will all travel using school transportation to all competition venues. Failure to be on time will result in disciplinary actions by the Head Coach.

Conversation, when not bonding, will be kept to an inside voice level. Failure to comply with the noise level will result in a team silence bus ride. Please be respectful of the bus driver and their job of assuring our safe arrival to and from competitions.

Each team will be responsible for loading and unloading game equipment and will be held accountable for each piece of equipment loaded onto the bus. Athletes will be released to ONLY their parents after equipment is accounted for, unless previous arrangements are made.

Everyone is required to assist with set up and tear down of netting systems for games (chairs and scoring tables are included on game days).

**If you want to be successful…You HAVE to put in the work!**

 **Team Policies**

* Attend all classes, practices, and workouts. The only excuse for missing will be an extreme emergency. Please let coaches know ahead of time if you have scheduled doctor, dentist appointments, tutoring, etc. DO NOT relay messages through another athlete.
* 5 unexcused absences will result in your dismissal from the team.
* Follow all school rules as well as your teacher rules. If you cannot behave in class and at school we do not want you on the volleyball team.
* Be on time for everything. On time means 5 or 10 minutes early. Be dressed and ready to go at 4:30 pm.
* Show respect to your teachers, coaches and teammates. We will not allow disrespectful actions. We will be a classy team in everything we say and do. You will be representing our school and community.
* No horse playing or immature behavior will be tolerated.
* Maintain a neat and clean appearance everywhere we go. (No saggy pants, no mid cut shirts)
* Always ask permission before leaving the gym
* Attendance will be taken daily
* GRADES WILL BE CHECKED! If you are failing a class we will discuss tutoring options. Failing classes can interfere with your play time.
* Keep your body in the best possible condition. Drink plenty of water daily and keep junk and fried foods to a minimal. Ice and stretch at home.
* All fees must be paid in full to participate in events. All sponsors are welcome.
* If a player is in ISS, she will not be allowed to practice until ISS time is over. She will be required to attend practice and/ or study hall. A player will not participate in that days competition if she is in ISS on that date, even if she is finished with the ISS. She is required to travel with the team.
* If a player is OSS, an automatic competition suspension equal to the days that she is suspended will be imposed. Depending on the severity of the infraction she may be subject to tea expulsion.
* Good sportsmanship is required of all volleyball players. Any yellow card for unsportsmanlike conduct will result in that player’s suspension for the remainder of the match and subject to additional disciplinary actions. This will be enforced if a coach witnesses any unsportsmanlike act that is not punished with a yellow card. A red card infraction will result in immediate removal from the program.
* All players will abstain from negative comments about opponents, coaches, officials, teammates, and all other school staff. Inappropriate language will incur disciplinary action.
* Cell phones and any other electronic devices are not allowed during practices or matches. At no time should any electronic devices be on the bench.

Parent Contract

1. Please be responsible for picking up your child on time: 6:00 pm.

(3 late pick-ups will result in dismissal from the team)

1. Cheer as loud as you can! NO coaching from the stands!
2. When attending events, use good sportsmanship! ( No yelling at athletes, coaches, parents or officials)
3. For any inquiries you may have that need t be discussed with the coaches or Athletic Director, email or set up an appointment (24 hours after an event, not during or immediately after)
4. Please assist in making sure your child keeps up with his/her equipment.

By signing the contract I agree to honor the terms and conditions as they may apply.

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Parent Signature Date

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Print Child’s Name