

Code of Conduct Relating to School Sports and Other Activities

School District: _____

Sport: _____ **Other Activity:** _____

Student Name: _____ **Grade:** _____

The State of New York recently updated its “*Interim COVID-19 Guidance for Sports and Recreation*” permitting in-school sports and athletic competitions for certain sports only if permitted by local health departments. This **Code of Conduct** is intended to enable students, and parents/guardians of students, to recognize and acknowledge the personal responsibility involved in taking steps to protect themselves, fellow students, coaches, spectators and other school and community members from contracting the COVID disease.

To reduce my risk of contracting and or spreading COVID-19, I pledge to abide by all existing best practices to reduce risk for my own safety and the safety of my teammates, classmates, and community. I pledge to review these practices and I understand that my School District may provide additional updates as needed. It is my responsibility to stay informed of these updates to reduce risk for myself and my classmates. As an Ulster County student, I pledge the following: *(Please initial each statement below.)*

_____ to follow all social distancing guidelines, including the wearing of masks or appropriate face coverings,
and

_____ to submit to COVID-19 testing any time it is advised, and to abide by all isolation and/or quarantine orders as I am directed by the Ulster County Department of Health, my school or health care provider,

and

_____ to participate in daily self-assessments for COVID-19 symptoms,

and

_____ to **not** participate in school classes, athletic events, or other activities if I am feeling sick with any of the following symptoms, until cleared by my health care provider, including but not limited to: fatigue, headache, muscle pain (myalgia), fever, cough, nasal congestion, new loss of taste or smell, abdominal upset or pain, sore throat, and

_____ to **not** participate in unapproved social gatherings, parties or other activities which are known to increase the spread of COVID-19.

As a student participating in sports or other activities, I understand that I have a personal responsibility to take steps to protect myself and those around me from the spread of COVID-19 and to create to the extent possible a safe environment for everyone in my home and school community.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read, that I understand, and I will abide by this *Code of Conduct Relating to School Sports and Other Activities*. I recognize that COVID-19 is a highly contagious virus which can lead to severe illness and death in some individuals. I further understand that even though my school is following the guidelines issued by the CDC and other experts to reduce the spread of infection, a COVID-19 free environment can never be guaranteed.

I understand that if I do not honor my pledge, I would be failing to comply with Public Health and school best practices and I therefore could be subject to disciplinary actions consistent with the Wallkill Central School District Athletic Handbook/Code of Conduct and the District’s Code of Conduct, including the loss of the privilege to compete on a Wallkill Central team for the remainder of the 2020-21 school year, and/or additional consequences pursuant to the District’s Code of Conduct.

Student Name/Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Name/Signature: _____ **Date:** _____