

Parent Sportsmanship Agreement

Cocurricular sports activities at Springwood School are

- intended to be an activity to accomplish the school's mission of nurturing the whole life development of our student's mind, body, and spirit
- considered to be part of the school day with the same behavioral expectations as to when school is in session
- considered for the enjoyment of the participants, whether players, parents, spectators, or officials

The conduct of students and adults at sporting events is to follow the same appropriate school day behavioral expectations. Individual and communal behavior at school functions leaves a lasting impact on everyone involved and reflects on the individual, their family members, the team, and the school they represent.

The undersigned will follow the following sportsmanship expectations, which align with the Alabama Independent School Association (AISA) guidelines; otherwise, increasingly more significant measures will be taken to deal with inappropriate behavior as outlined in this document.

- I am devoted to sports at Springwood School being a healthy environment for all participants and refrain from using or affirming any language or actions with the intent to harm, berate, intimidate, abuse, bully, or humiliate any player, coach, official, or spectator.
- I believe in being a positive role model for students and encouraging sportsmanship by showing respect, courtesy, and positive support for all players, coaches, officials, and spectators at every game, practice, or event.
- I understand that using critical, inappropriate, confrontational, abusive, disrespectful, or foul language towards anyone, coaches, athletes, officials, opponents, or spectators is unacceptable and will not be tolerated at a Springwood School activity.
- I am committed to demonstrating personal self-control regardless of my personal feelings or opinion by refraining from any unsportsmanlike conduct with officials, coaches, players, spectators, or parents such as booing, taunting, or using profane language or gestures at all Springwood games, practices, or school events.
- I will always respect the referees and their decisions and refrain from complaining or become confrontational about penalties, game management, or calls made by the officials.

- I will only engage in positive social media interactions and refrain from participating with any intent to berate, intimidate, abuse, bully or humiliate any athlete, coach, official, or spectator.
 - I understand that posting negative, demeaning, or derogatory comments is unacceptable and will be considered harassment and may result in immediate action by the school.
- I will support the coaches by
 - o refraining from interfering by coaching my child or other players during games and practices.
 - o resisting from openly questioning or confronting coaches before, during, or after games or practices.
 - o taking the time to speak with coaches about any concerns calmly, privately, and at an agreed-upon time and place
- I will promote all the athletes' emotional and physical well-being ahead of any personal desires for my child or their team regarding playing time or the desire to win.

I realize that if I behave in a manner that is not in alignment with this agreement, I may be subject to consequences based on the severity of my conduct that could include but not be limited to the following:

- o withdraw the opportunity to attend the remaining activities for that individual sport season
- o give
- o a written apology to any parties impacted by my behavior.
- o receive a year-long or lifetime suspension from all Springwood School games, practices, or other school sports events or
- o the expulsion of their child/children from enrollment at Springwood School.

By signing below, the Parent agrees to abide by and be subject to this sportsmanship agreement.

	_ Date
Parent:	
	Date
Director of Athletics: Kurt Page	
	Date
Head of School: Lowrie B. McCown	