



Aristoi Classical Academy Athletic Handbook 2023-2024 School Year

Student Name: _____

(PLEASE PRINT)

The **required forms** must be filled out completely and returned to the Athletic Director with your Athletic FEE.

Please carefully examine each page (front and back) for all required signatures.

The following **required forms** are included in the packet:

- Liability Release Form
- Parent Consent to Treat Student Athlete
- Athletic Guidelines and Code of Conduct
- Parent Expectations
- Academic Eligibility
- Physical Form

NO ATHLETE WILL BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE UNTIL ALL REQUIRED FORMS ARE COMPLETED, SIGNED, AND RETURNED TO THE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR.

Jerseys will not be given out until ATHLETIC FEE is paid. Athletic FEES are NONREFUNDABLE. Athletes are responsible for any lost or damaged jerseys.

If you have any questions about the information or requirements of the Student/Parent Athletic Participation Packet, please contact the Athletic Director. Contact information can be found on the school's website at www.aristoiclassical.org.

A copy of all documents can be provided upon request to the Athletic Department.



LIABILITY RELEASE FORM

Athlete Name _____

I hereby give my consent for the above student to compete in approved sports, and travel with the coach or other representative of the school on any trips to sports practice or sporting events.

It is understood that even though protective equipment is worn by the athlete whenever needed, the possibility of an accident still remains. Neither the Texas Charter School Academic & Athletic League nor the school assumes any responsibility in case an accident occurs.

The undersigned agrees to be responsible for the safe return of all athletic equipment issued by the school to the above named student.

If, in the judgment of any representatives of the school, the above student needs immediate care and treatment as a result of any injury or sickness, I do hereby request, authorize, and consent to such care and treatment as may be given to said student by any physician, licensed athletic trainer, nurse, hospital, or school representative; and I do hereby agree to indemnify and save harmless the school and any school representative from any claim by any person whomsoever on account of such care and treatment of said student.

I understand that failure to provide accurate and truthful information could subject the student in question to penalties determined by the Texas Charter School Academic & Athletic League.

Your signature below gives authorization that is necessary for the school district, coaches, and associated to share medical information.

PARENT NAME (Last, First, MI):	
ADDRESS (Street, City, State, Zip):	
HOME PHONE:	CELL PHONE:

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

DATE



PARENT CONSENT TO TREATMENT STUDENT ATHLETE

STUDENT NAME (Last, First, MI):	
DOB (MM/DD/YYYY):	GRADE LEVEL:

As the parent(s)/guardian(s) of the above-named student, a minor, I/we do hereby authorize an Aristoi Classical Academy staff member(s), to act as my/our agent(s), to consent to any x-ray examination, anesthetic, medical or surgical diagnosis or treatment and/or hospital care which is deemed advisable by, and is to be rendered under, the general or special supervision of any licensed physician/surgeon, whether such diagnosis or treatment is rendered at the office of said physician/surgeon or at a hospital.

It is understood that this authorization is given in advance of any specific diagnosis, treatment or hospital care being required but is given to provide authority and power on the part of our aforesaid agent(s) to give specific consent to any and all such diagnosis, treatment or hospital care which aforementioned physician/surgeon, in the exercise of his/her best judgment, may deem advisable.

I/We hereby authorize any hospital which has provided treatment to the above-named minor to surrender physical custody of such minor to the agent(s) upon completion of treatment.

It is understood that I/we must assume legal responsibility for any expenses incurred for medical treatment which may not be covered by my/our personal insurance, Medicaid, or Medicare.

FATHER'S NAME (Last, First, MI):		
CELL PHONE:	HOME PHONE:	WORK PHONE:
MOTHER'S NAME (Last, First, MI):		
CELL PHONE:	HOME PHONE:	WORK PHONE:

I/We have read and understand the extent of this authorization and that it shall remain effective until the end of the current school year, from August 11, 20__ through August 10, 20__.

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NAME OF INSURED POLICY HOLDER:	
BILLING ADDRESS OF POLICY HOLDER:	
INSURANCE COMPANY:	
GROUP NUMBER:	POLICY NUMBER:
TYPE OF INSURANCE: HMO PPO MEDICAID MEDICARE OTHER:	



ATHLETIC GUIDELINES AND CODE OF CONDUCT

It is the desire of the administration and coaching staff of Aristoi Classical Academy to communicate to its students that participation in athletics is a choice. Participation on athletic teams and in related activities, while being an honor, is an opportunity for young athletes to learn important lessons about the responsibilities that are assumed by individuals in leadership roles. Therefore, all athletes are expected to adhere to the following:

- Athletes will be tough competitors in the athletic arena, but outside the competitive arena they are expected to conduct themselves as gentlemen and ladies at all times, demonstrating respect for their administrators, teachers, and fellow students.
- Athletes are to display/model behaviors associated with positive leaders both in the school and in the community;
- Athletes are to exhibit good citizenship at all times;
- Athletes are to serve as positive representatives for their team, coaches, school, district, and community during competitions and interactions with rivals; and
- Athletes are expected to strive for academic excellence;

As athletes of Aristoi Classical Academy, students have a responsibility to exhibit positive leadership characteristics. Participation in the athletic program and/or Texas Charter School Academic & Athletic League contests is a PRIVILEGE, NOT A RIGHT. All students participating in athletics are expected to comply with all guidelines and with the Code of Conduct. Failure to do so may result in disciplinary consequences and/or removal from athletics.

General Guidelines

On the Field or Court

Student athletes are expected to:

- Exhibit good sportsmanship both on and off the field or court.
- Display respect for officials and leave the resolution of any conflicts to coaches.
- Demonstrate the ability to accept defeat as well as to be gracious winners.

Personal Appearance and Grooming

All students participating in extracurricular activities are expected to:

- Adhere to the Aristoi Classical Academy dress code.
- Adhere to any higher standards of personal appearance and grooming prescribed by a coach.
- Adhere to grooming standards in order to retain team membership and participation rights.

School Equipment

Student athletes are financially responsible for all equipment issued in their name. Unauthorized use of athletic uniforms or equipment will be considered a form of theft. Athlete is responsible for replacing a lost or damaged jersey.

Practice Regulations

Athletes are responsible for:

- Notifying the appropriate coach of an anticipated absence prior to a practice or game. Failure to make proper notifications may result in suspension from the team.
- Obeying all rules established by the coach.
- Refraining from the use of profanity or vulgar language.
- Contributing their best at all times.



Travel

Athletes, traveling as part of a team, will be expected to adhere to the following:

- Arrive at the designated location prior to scheduled meeting and departure time. Failure to fulfill this obligation may result in athletes being excluded from the trip
- Assume responsibility for bringing appropriate equipment, if applicable
- Dress in a neat and appropriate manner that complies with all dress and grooming guidelines or as directed by the coach
- Demonstrate appropriate behavior and good citizenship from the time of departure and return to the campus.

Withdrawing from the Team (Quitting a Sport)

Athletes wishing to withdraw from the team after the first contest:

- Will forfeit any award for the sport and fee paid.
- May be ineligible for participation in the following sport until the end of the season of the sport from which they have withdrawn, unless the head coaches of both sports and the athletic director agree to their participation. (For example, if you stopped playing football, you would be ineligible for basketball.)

Team Eligibility

Athletes wishing to participate on an athletic team must:

- Be in grades 5th – 12th
- Adhere to the Aristoi student handbook
- Attend at least 90% of prescribed practices in their respective sport

Athletics Letterman Requirements

Athletes wishing to letter in a sport.

- Member of varsity team in Cross Country, Volleyball, Football, Basketball, Track and Field, or Soccer
- No academic suspension or other removal from team during the season
- No behavior suspensions

Conflict Resolution

Should conflicts or issues arise, it is important that they be addressed in a timely manner and directly so that they can be quickly resolved. It is important for students and parents to recognize what types of issues are appropriate to discuss with coaches and when is an appropriate time to discuss them.

The following are appropriate issues to discuss with coaches/sponsors: treatment of your student, behavior concerns, ways to help your student improve, and what you can do to help support the program.

The following are inappropriate issues that should not be discussed with coaches: playing time, team strategy, play calling, other students' abilities or behavior, and any other confrontational issues. If an issue arises, the following procedures should be followed while trying to reach a resolution:

- Step 1: The student should contact the coach/sponsor about the conflict/issue as soon as possible.
 - It is always best for the students to become their own advocates. This will help teach them a life-long lesson about resolving issues and concerns on their own. It is expected that the majority of concerns will be resolved at this first meeting.
- Step 2: Parent contacts coach/sponsor
 - If necessary, a parent may contact the coach/sponsor directly for an appointment. It is never appropriate to contact a coach/sponsor just before or after a practice or game as these can be intense times for coaches. It is best to email or phone the coach for an appointment.



- Step 3: Contact the Athletic Director
 - If a satisfactory solution is not reached through direct contact with the coach/sponsor, the student athlete and/or parent should contact the Athletic Director by email or phone. The coach/sponsor will be consulted by the Athletic director and be informed that this contact has been made and a meeting may be scheduled involving all parties in an attempt to reach a satisfactory resolution.

- Step 4: Contact the Head of School
 - If the conflict/issue is still unresolved, the student or parent may contact the school administrator. While there can be no guarantee that all parties will agree with all resolutions or findings, a thorough, respectful airing of different perceptions and experiences can lead to more productive relationships and clear communication in the future.

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PARENT EXPECTATIONS

Youth sports are for the players. Be supportive of your athlete, their team and the coaching staff. All parents associated with Aristoi Classical Academy are welcome to share in the pleasure of watching their children participate so long as their behavior does not distract the players and officials from the free flow of play. Any issues a parent may have with any coach, official, or player should be submitted in writing to the school athletic director and addressed at a proper time and place, not on the field or during a game.

A parent should:

- Make no remarks to referees or to the players, coaches or spectators of the opposing team unless intended to convey genuine interest, friendship or encouragement.
- Avoid sharp remarks directed to players on your own team who make mistakes on the field. They already know what they have done. Allow them to learn from their mistakes.
- Applaud superior play by both teams.
- Support coaches consistently regardless of the result on the court or field. Coaches contribute many hours of their time to your children. They deserve your congratulations when the team wins and your encouragement when it does not.
- Always remain in the spectator area, a minimum of 10 feet away from the playing area.

Your cooperation with these standards before, during and after each game will make Aristoi athletics more enjoyable for everyone.

A parent must:

- Never use foul language or obscene gestures at a game.
- Not interfere with the duties of any coach.
- Not communicate with his/her student during sanctioned athletic events.
- Avoid persistent comments and gestures which express disagreement with referee decisions.
- Cooperate immediately with any request by the game officials.

Any parent who fails to adhere to these standards will be required to leave the playing area. Aristoi Classical Academy reserves the right to suspend any spectator who does not abide by the rules of the sportsmanship plan. This policy applies to everyone.

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ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

In order to participate in an athletic contest, team/squad tryout opportunities, team/squad practice, or other athletic activity, a student must be in attendance at school a minimum of one-half day (8:00 am – 12:00 pm, 12:00 pm – 3:15pm, or equivalent).

Students assigned to Out-of-School Suspension (OSS) may not participate in or attend any extracurricular practice or event during the dates of the placement or suspension.

Any student athlete representing themselves, or their organization, in an unfavorable, questionable or illegal manner through electronic media (i.e. Websites, personal home pages, blogs, text messages, chat rooms or similar Websites/files accessible through a server or internet) or using electronic communication devices in such a way as to bring discredit, dishonor, or disgrace on their organization or members of any other school organization including themselves (i.e. camera phones, digital photos, electronic descriptions) will be subject to the disciplinary actions determined by appropriate school officials and/or coaches, including probation or dismissal from the organization.

In order to participate in athletics, a student must have a 70 or above average in all classes posted to the report card. Students with a failing grade on a report card are restricted from participating in athletics for the next nine weeks. There is an opportunity to regain eligibility earlier if the student earns averages of 70 or above in ALL classes on the next progress report. No classes are exempt from consideration.

Loss of eligibility is based on averages below 70. Students and parents should be aware that an “I” (incomplete) on a report card or progress report has the same impact on eligibility as an “F” (average below 70). A student with an “Incomplete” grade is ineligible at the end of a seven day grace period unless the “Incomplete” is replaced with a passing grade prior to the end of the seven day grace period. Students with an “Incomplete” grade either within or beyond the end of the seven day grace period [due to extended excused absences] may regain eligibility if the work is made up in accordance with district policy in regard to time allowed for make-up work and the conditions under which make-up work is allowed.

NOTE: An “I” assigned pending retake of a failed major test/grade must be removed by the end of the 7 day grace period or the student is ineligible until the next grade check.

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