

ELA Athletic Contract

Updated 8/22/17

General Requirements- must be completed before league games start

- Physical exam-recommended within past 2 calendar years
- Emergency Card- attached to this form
- Signed Athletic Contract

Academic Eligibility:

Students must maintain a minimum “C” average throughout the season with no failing grades in order to participate in school athletics. Students must also maintain “in good standing” behavior wise to participate. Failure to meet these requirements may include ineligibility or suspension from the athletic program. It is the responsibility of the students and parents to monitor grades in order to prevent any unknown academic violation,

Personal Conduct:

Athletes are representatives of the ELA school community at all times. Please, no profanity or outbursts of negative emotion during practices, games or activities. ELA students should be respectful and courteous to all players, coaches, officials, opponents, fans and others attending these activities.

Proper Attire:

Athletes are expected to dress in school uniform or better dress when representing ELA as an inactive participant. This includes ineligible or injured players. Jeans and hats are not acceptable during games. Team uniforms will worn by all active participants. They should not be worn during school hours except when allowed as “spirit dress”. Face or body paint will not be allowed.

Phones:

The use of cell phones or other electronic devices will not be permitted during practices and games without coach permission. Cell phones and cameras may not be visible in the locker room under any circumstances.

Practices and Games:

The Early Light Academy Junior High School philosophy encourages responsibility and commitment. Students who commit to play sports for ELA should honor their commitments and make every effort to be at all scheduled practices and games. Student athletes must be in school at least a half day in order to participate in games that same day. Please be properly dressed and on time for all practices and be in team attire for all games. Students and parents must arrange for “a ride home” immediately following games and practices.

Transportation:

Early Light Academy will not provide transportation to practices or games. Parents are expected to provide transportation. Student athletes may carpool with other teammates at the approval of their parents.

Illegal substances policy:

ELA students must not use, possess or intend to distribute alcohol, drugs, tobacco or any controlled substances. Failure to comply with this could result in a suspension or expulsion from school-sponsored programs. If a student is found to be in violation of this policy the student must participate in an action plan developed and agreed on by the administration, parents, and student before reinstatement pending severity of offense.

A second offense within one calendar year may result in further suspension from all athletic offerings at ELA.

A student may self-refer prior to any observation or report by an authoritative source and be granted permission to continue participating in athletics provided the student enters an appropriate action plan or treatment program.

Bullying/Cyberbullying and Hazing policy:

Bullying is defined as aggressive behavior that is intended to cause harm or distress to another individual. Cyberbullying means using the internet, a cell phone or another device to post messages, send texts or images with the intent to hurt, embarrass, or threaten an individual. Hazing refers to putting another in a harmful or potential dangerous situation with the intent to cause harm or distress to that individual.

Bullying, cyber-bullying, and hazing will not be accepted or tolerated at Early Light Academy. This includes any interaction between student athletes, coaches, parents, and anyone associated with ELA and the school's activities. Students, staff, volunteers, and anyone associated with Early Light Academy should act civilly and with respect to each other at all times. A violation to this policy could result in removal from all athletic programs at ELA or further disciplinary action as deemed by the administration.

If you experience any bullying, cyber-bullying or hazing, or if you witness it taking place please report it immediately to a coach, parent, trusted adult, or any Early Light Academy staff. Please see the Early Light Academy policy and procedure manual for a more detailed explanation of this policy.

Early Light Academy
Student Activities and Athletic Code
CONTRACT

For the parent/guardian:

We have read the expectations for Early Light Academy Junior High School students and athletes as presented in the above text. I (we) agree to do our part to ensure that our student athlete abides by the rules and expectations stated therein. We understand the guidelines are in place to assist our student athlete in becoming the most successful individual he/she can be.

For the student-athlete:

I have read the expectations for Early Light Academy Junior High School student athletes as printed in the above text. I agree to do my part to ensure that I abide by the rules and expectations stated therein. I understand the guidelines are in place to assist me in becoming the most successful student athlete I can be, and I agree to dedicate myself to that goal by participating appropriately in all the areas defined. I also understand that this signed statement indicates my understanding of these expectations for the entire school year.

Parent/Guardian's Printed Name

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Date

Student's Printed Name

Student-Athlete's Signature

Date

This form is to be signed by the parent/guardian and the student athlete and returned to the office the first week of the season. This form must be on file in the Athletic Office prior to further participation for each activity/sports season, or the student may be denied the privilege of competing until the form is completed.

This signed form covers all sports seasons for the current academic school year.