



2025-2026

ATHLETIC HANDBOOK

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Forming the Christian Leaders of Tomorrow

Dear Parents and Student-Athletes:

Welcome to St. Mary's Athletics!

The mission statement of St. Mary's Athletic Department is to **provide a dynamic environment which promotes competitiveness, teamwork, and self-discipline in order to form the lifelong traits of good sportsmanship and a Christ-like character.** St. Mary's Athletics helps to fulfill the mission of the school by teaching the Christian way of competing and the Christian way of life as expressed through three core values:

- 1. Reverence of God**
- 2. Respect for oneself, others, and authority**
- 3. Responsibility for one's actions**

St. Mary's Athletics is an important part of students' lives and the development of Christian virtue in our students because it is a key component in the formation of the whole person: body, mind, and spirit. The goal of St. Mary's Athletic Department is to provide an environment of competition, cooperation, and teamwork for our students that will glorify God and form the person. Winning the contest is important to any competitor; however, the lesson and virtue gained in the heat of competition are its most important attributes.

Our coaches are dedicated to assisting student-athletes in reaching their maximum potential as an athlete, but more importantly, as a Christian Leader. St. Mary's offers a wide variety of teams to choose from and all students are encouraged to try any or all of the sports that are offered. Participation in multiple sports is encouraged to ensure a healthy balance.

This handbook contains the philosophies, policies, and guidelines which govern the St. Mary's Athletic Program.

We ask that you read this handbook thoroughly with your student-athlete(s). All of the forms in this Handbook must be read and signatures provided on file before a student-athlete can participate.

We look forward to another successful year in athletics!

Sean Warfield - Principal

Nita Bigon - Athletic Director

*No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it. Therefore, strengthen your feeble arms and weak knees. "Make level paths for your feet," so that the lame may not be disabled, but rather healed." **Hebrews 12:11-13***

Mission of St. Mary's Catholic School

The Mission of St. Mary's Catholic School is the commitment to academic excellence, and the spiritual development of our students toward a life of prayer, service and love.

Conference Affiliation:

SMCS belongs to the Austin Christian Athletic Association

Nondiscriminatory Policy

SMCS Athletics admits any students of any race, color, and national or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students of the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, nationality or ethnic origin in the administration of its participatory policies, admissions policies, or athletic programs.

Procedure for Registration

A student can become a full participating member of an SMCS athletic team once the following requirements are met:

1. Student and parent/guardian have completed and returned SMCS Athletic Permission Form (see Page 13).
2. Students and parents/guardians have read the SMCS Athletic Handbook and signed the Athletic Contract (see Page15).
3. Students and parents/guardians have read and signed pages 13-18.

Athletic Permission Form

SMCS students wishing to participate in a sport must fill out an SMCS Athletic Permission Form. This form is accessible at the end of this handbook (see website). Permission forms must be completed and returned on or before the deadline set before this first practice date. Any student who decides to participate on a team after the deadline should see the Athletic Director before attending practice. Deadlines are not intended to prevent a student from participating on a sports team, they are necessary to make sure that teams do not become too large to allow for proper instruction of participants. A permission form need only be completed one time during the school year.

Basic Information for St. Mary's Athletics

Teams and Sports

St. Mary's Catholic School offers the following sports if we have sufficient students to make a team. Teams are made up of 4th, 5th and 6th (depending on birthdate) graders for Elementary Teams and 6th, 7th, and 8th graders for Middle School sports. Cheerleading will be open to 3rd grades also.

Fall:

Flag football (boys)

Volleyball (Girls)

Cheerleading (boys and girls) year round

Cross Country (boys and girls)

Winter:

Basketball (boys and girls)

Spring:

Track (boys and girls)

Soccer (coed)

Athletic Fees Policy

The Athletic Department will charge an Athletic Fee for St. Mary's sports. The Athletic Department operates solely on this Athletic Fee, concessions sales, and donations.

The Athletic Fee is a \$250 (one time) fee for as many sports as students would like to play throughout the course of the 2024-2025 School Year. ALL \$250 Athletic Fee in order to participate in ANY of the aforementioned sports, regardless of the NUMBER of sports they participate in.

Athletic Fees are **DUE BEFORE FIRST GAME** for all students planning to participate in athletes in the 2025-2026 school year. **PLEASE NOTE PAYMENT MUST BE MADE IN THE FRONT OFFICE. NO LATER THAN THE FIRST GAME OF THE SEASON. ATHLETES WHO DO NOT PAY THE FEE BY FIRST GAME OF THE SEASON WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THEIR SPORT UNTIL THE FEE IS RECEIVED.**

Athletic fees are NON-REFUNDABLE. This includes ALL instance of stopped or suspended participation including (but not limited to):

- Quitting the team
- Injury
- Loss of eligibility (i.e. failing grades, major violation of school policy, etc)
- Expulsion or withdrawal from St. Mary's

Parents

Must help work the concession stand, clock, or books for home games. You will be sent a certain game to help and if you can't you will be responsible for getting someone to take your place. Remember that helping you can get your volunteer hours in.

Transportation Policy

SMCS does not provide any transportation to or from athletic events. SMSC and the Diocese of Austin assume no liability for accidents that may occur in route to any sporting practice or activity.

Transportation to/from practices and games is the sole responsibility of the parents. Please ensure that your student-athlete is picked up promptly at the end of practice and games (if not here and the school after care program is still your child will be sent over there and you will be charged the fee for after school care).

Coaching Expectations and Requirements

Coaches are first and foremost educators. Coaches must work in coordination with the parents, who are the primary educators of their children. At all times, coaches must be examples of Christ the Teacher who serve as role models for student-athletes to emulate. They must be messengers of the school mission to ensure that athletic programs embody the Catholic characteristics prevalent at SMCS. All coaches must be EIM qualified. Please contact the main office to ensure your EIM Certification is up to date.

Goal Setting

When working with SMCS students-athletes, a successful coach will work towards goals in the following three dimensions: team, personal, and school.

Team Goals

SMCS coaches build a team by the following:

1. Advancing the athletes' understanding of their role as members of the communal body of Christ.
2. Creating a positive and memorable experience that will be cherished by the student-athlete for the rest of their life.
3. Teaching the specific and unique skills of this sport to the very best of their abilities by using all means, methods and resources available to them.

Personal Goals

SMCS coaches grow as individuals by the following:

1. Modeling character, sportsmanship, self-discipline, and life of faith.
2. Appreciating the moments of grace throughout a season, at times of winning and losing.
3. Becoming a lifelong learner of their sport.
4. Maintaining perspective in and throughout all athletic endeavors, realigning teachable moments exist in all experiences.
5. Fostering positive relationships with all school community stakeholders.

School Goals

1. Infusing the school mission in all athletic activities.
2. Promoting academic excellence as an essential component in the development of student-athletes.
3. Committing to effective communication with administrators, teachers, parents, and athletes.
4. Supporting the development of student-athletes as leaders and role models in the greater school community.
5. Creating a culture of school unity and spirit as exemplified through sportsmanship, positive fan participation, and respect for all.

Conduct of Coaches

Coaches are called to be models and witnesses to their faith each day and as such, coaches are expected to uphold high standards of conduct in and out of season.

Language

Language should be appropriate and constructive at all times. Coaches are expected to not only monitor their own language, but they should also set and enforce standards of appropriate language for their athletes. This includes, but is not limited to searing, harassment, exclusionary, language, sexual innuendo, personal attacks, and unsportsmanlike gestures.

Treatment of Opponents

Although opponents are not a part of our school community they are members of the larger body of Christ and should be treated as such. Coaches should model such respect for their athletes and should instruct players on how to welcome their opponents and all visitors in a way that conveys a sense of hospitality and community.

Prayer

Athletic experiences play an important role in the spiritual formation of students at SMCS. Genuine and lasting spiritual development is only possible through careful and conscientious preparation by those in leadership positions. Coaches, as team leaders are chosen not just to be mentors and role models for students athletes, but also to be witnesses. Prayer should become an intentional component to a team's culture, not just a rushed event before or after a game or practice.

Coaching Duties

In addition to serving as witnesses and models of faith, SMCS coaches are expected to fulfill the following duties:

- Plan out practices
- Condition athletes properly
- Supervise athletes at all times until they are picked up from events
- Assess athlete's readiness for practice & competition
- Instruct properly on what to do and what not to do
- Communicate practice and game schedule to athletes and parents
- Maintain safe playing conditions
- Select, train, and supervise assistant coaches
- Ensure cleanliness of facilities
- Provide proper equipment

Communication with Athletes and Parents

SMCS coaches should establish clear procedures and guidelines for communication with athletes and parents that align with the philosophy and mission of SMCS. Email should be used only to communicate basic information, such as time and location of games and practices. Discussions of concerns should always be done in person. If a face-to-face meeting is not possible, a phone call is acceptable. Before meetings, establish clear agendas and communicate that certain topics will not be discussed. Coaches do not have to discuss playing time, coaching strategies and specific plays or information pertaining to other athletes.

Student Expectations and Requirements

Students and parents should recognize that participation in the athletic program is not a right of all students, but rather a privilege to those selected individuals who possess the ability, attitude, disposition, cooperative spirit, and desire to represent the SMCS community in a favorable way. By joining the school's athletic program, a student becomes a representative of their team and of SMCS.

Eligibility and Probation

We expect student-athletes to maintain academic and behavioral standards in keeping with the SMCS Student-Parent handbook and the teachings of the Catholic Church. These regulations and procedures apply while on school premises, during practice and competitions, and in the public arena. A student will be considered ELIGIBLE to participate in interscholastics athletics at SMCS if their most recent academic report reflects:

A passing grade in each subject

A passing grade in all Special subjects (including PE, Music, Band, Art, electives and

school clubs.)

A 75% or better in conduct for all subjects

A student athlete will be considered ON PROBATION should their most recent academic report (progress report or report card) reflect any one or a combination of the following academic grades and/or conduct: (this includes students who may be moved from one math class to another or dropped a year-long elective due to academic needs)

One failing grade in any subject

One failing grade in any special subjects (including PE, Music, Band, Art, electives and school clubs.)

One Incomplete in any subject on Progress Report or Report Card

74% or below in conduct in any subject

Removal from a classroom

Out of School/In School Suspension

Probation is the period of time between the progress report and report card or vice versa during which a student athlete works to improve their grades and/ or conduct, while maintaining all other grades per eligibility requirements. During this period, a student may not participate in practice or games, this includes wearing the uniform on game days, but time should be spent wisely in improving one's grades and conduct. Student athletes are encouraged to seek extra help from those teachers in courses where he/she is struggling either before or after school. SMCS faculty and staff are always willing to assist students in their academic studies and personal growth as young adults.

The only exception to this probationary period is the Incomplete. As soon as the student athlete makes up the work that caused the incomplete and the work is to the satisfaction of the appropriate teacher, the student is no longer on probation.

Evaluating Probationary Improvement

A student athlete remains a full, participating member of a team if their grades at the end of the probationary period reflects a passing average or better in every class, and the student athlete maintains conduct in keeping with the SMCS Student Parent Handbook and teachings of the Catholic Church.

Ineligibility

A student athlete will be considered INELIGIBLE for the interscholastic sports at SMCS should there be no improvement after the designated probationary period. Ineligibility means that a student athlete may not participate in interscholastic athletics at SMCS for the remainder of the season. This will result in the removal of the student from the team's roster.

All student athletes are allowed one probationary period per school year. Should a student athlete fail to meet the academic and behavior standards outlined above more than once during a school year, he/she will be considered ineligible and will no longer be permitted to participate in interscholastic sports at SMCS for the remainder of the school year.

Attendance

All student athletes must be marked as present in school on the day of practice or a game in order to participate. Please see the Student Parent Handbook for what constitutes an absence.

All student athletes must recognize the time commitment made to a team. **One is expected to attend all practices and games.** If one cannot attend a practice or game, please make sure that the coach and or athletic director has been notified in advance.

Dress Code/Uniforms

Student athletes are highly visible representatives of the school and, as such, are responsible for using good judgment in their overall appearance. All teams, regardless of level, have a responsibility to ensure that their game attire speaks volumes of their class and excellence. **All game shirts will be tucked in. No player should make modifications to his or her uniforms.** Athletes are to wear school issued uniforms and treat their uniforms with respect. Teams that treat their uniforms with respect exude class.

Uniforms must be returned to the athletic director within seven days of the last game. Progress reports and/or report cards may be withheld until the uniform is returned. If a uniform is not returned, parents are responsible for the cost of replacing the uniform which is \$50.

Sportsmanship

All student athletes are expected to represent SMCS in an exemplary manner. This behavior is expected both on and off the court or field. Student athletes are expected to display the best of Christian courtesy and manners to all officials, coaches, opposing coaches, players, and spectators. At all times good sportsmanship is the rule, not the exception. The penalty for unsportsmanlike behavior during a practice or game will be left to the discretion of the coaches for each sport along with the input from the athletic director. This can range from sitting out at practice to a one game suspension. In extreme cases when an athlete has been ejected from a game, multi game suspensions and dismissal from the team may be appropriate. The athletic director and principal will make the final decision following a meeting with the athlete, coach, and parent.

Expectations of Parents and Stakeholders

“It is incumbent upon parents to cooperate closely with the school teachers to whom they entrust their children to be educated; in fulfilling their duty teachers are to collaborate closely with parents who are willingly heard and for whom associations or meetings are to be inaugurated and held in great esteem.” (Code of Canon Law, 796)

SMCS coaches and administrators respect the primacy of the parents as the first teachers of their student athletes, and will partner with the parents in the formation of student athletes.

Parents and other members of the community play a vital role in the holistic education of children including students' participation in school sponsored athletics. Together, all stakeholders should actively work to ensure that the Catholic mission and Identity of SMCS permeates the athletics program.

Top Five Ways to Support your Student Athlete

- Be present - show up to games, cheer and support out teams
- Be positive - Children learn from modeling. When talking about the game, season, performances and decision making, please share the gift of a positive outlook on life! Make sure that your child knows that win or lose, he/she is loved and supported.
- Encourage independence - Encourage student athletes to be responsible for the care of their athletic gear and to be prepared for practices and games. In addition, student athletes should speak directly with their coach about any questions and/or concerns.
- Observe the “24 Hour Cushion” - As do all good educators, SMCS coaches will naturally and deliberately reflect on game situations and decisions. Please allow coaches the time they need to process their decisions before approaching them with any questions. As stated above, coaches need not discuss playing time, coaching strategies and specific plays, or information pertaining to other athletes.
- Model SMCS' behavior expectations for visiting spectators - Take pride in our athletic program and model the visitors how we ...
 - Cheer for our team rather than against our opponents
 - Respect the integrity and authority of game officials
 - Allow coaches to coach without criticism from the spectators
 - Help clean up at the end of athletic events

Removal from Team - Parent Decision

The principal, athletic director and coaches will respect and support the decision of a parent to remove his or her child from a team for any reason. However, once the child is removed, he or she may not return to that team for the remainder of the sport season.

Revisions/modifications to Policy

The principal may make changes to any policies outlined in the handbook as needed and has the final decision with regards to any policy. Changes will be made public via website, email, and any other correspondence from SMCS.

The principal has the authority to remove a student or cancel a season if student athletes or parents are not adhering to SMCS Standards.

Athletic Probation

Modify red sections as appropriate

date

Student Name

Dear Student Name,

Based on St. Mary's Catholic School Athletic Handbook and the Parent/Student Handbook your academic performance is unsatisfactory therefore you are being placed on Academic Probation for your Progress Report/Report Card Grades.

Your academic performance to date is listed below.

Corse 1

Grade

Corse 2

Grade

Probation is one 2 week period during which a student athlete works to improve their grades and/or conduct, while maintaining all other grades per eligibility requirements. During this two week period, a student may not participate in practice or games, but time should be spent wisely in improving one's grades and conduct. Student athletes are encouraged to seek extra help from teachers in courses where he/she is struggling either before school or after school. SMCS faculty and staff are always willing to assist students in their academic studies and personal growth as young adults.

Probation Start Date: _____

Probation End Date: _____

I read and agree to the above terms and conditions.

Student Name

Date

Parent Name

Date

Athletic Director

Date

St. Mary's Catholic School
Consent to Participate, Emergency Medical Information, and Release

Participant: _____ (name)

Parents: _____ (names)

Event: St. Mary's Catholic School Athletics.

School: St. Mary's Catholic School, a Texas nonprofit corporation, including its faculty, coaches, employees, contractors, clergy, agents, facilitators, and volunteers.

A. Parents represent that they are the parents or legal guardians of the Participant and have full authority under law to sign this document.

B. Parents grant their permission for participants to enroll and participate in the Event.

C. Parents acknowledge and agree that:

- (1) Participant and Parents voluntarily seek to participate in the Event;
- (2) the Event involves sports and physical activity that involves risk of injury;
- (3) Participant will abide by all policies and rules established for Event and instructions of those persons facilitating, organizing, or overseeing the Event;
- (4) Parents and Participant are responsible for Participant's conduct during the Event and are responsible for any damages, claims, or other costs caused by Participant or incurred as a result Participant's conduct; and
- (5) if Participant's conduct is inappropriate, unsafe or detrimental to the Event or other participants, Participant may be suspended or expelled from the Event.

D. In the event of an emergency or a situation that is reasonably considered to be an emergency, Parents authorize the School, to seek and authorize emergency medical care to be given to the Participant. (Note: It is therefore important for the information on the second page of this form to be completed).

E. To the extent permitted by law, Parents, for themselves and for Participant, release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the School and the Catholic Diocese of Austin from any and all liability, claims, demands, and costs which may arise as a result of Participant's participation in the Event or which is, in any way, related to such participation. This release, indemnity, and hold harmless agreement covers loss under any theory of loss (negligence or otherwise) including but not limited to personal injury or property damage or loss. Parents and participants assume all risk of injury or loss to themselves or their property.

Student Athlete _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian signature: _____ Date: _____

St. Mary's Catholic School
Emergency Contact and Insurance Information

Participant (name): _____

Parents (names): _____

In the event of an emergency contact: _____

Phone: _____

Alternatively, contact: _____

Phone: _____

Participant's Insurance Carrier: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Policy Number: _____

Participant has the following conditions (allergies, medical conditions, etc): _____

Participant is currently taking the following medications: _____

Parent/Guardian signature: _____ Date: _____

I have read and understand the Athletic Handbook rules.

Student signature _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian signature _____ Date: _____

St. Mary's Standards of Conduct for Student Athletes

Being a student-athlete is a privilege, not a right. Student-athletes are students first and athletes second and are held to a high level of standards, expectations and behaviors.

The student who chooses to participate in the athletic program will be observed by many public and private schools, media, parents, guests, peers, teachers, and the public at large. Participating in athletics provides the opportunity to demonstrate one's desire to reflect Christ-like virtues in sportsmanship and in performance.

Each coach is responsible for the conduct of the student-athletes within that particular program. Therefore, the coach may provide a set of rules explaining conduct and penalties for both minor and major infractions of the code of conduct enumerated here:

1. A student-athlete in any sport is required to be neat, well groomed, (per the Student Parent Handbook) and in proper uniform for warm-ups, games, practices (this includes shirt, shorts, and shoes). Not being in proper uniform may result in game suspension.
2. A student-athlete shall exhibit a Christian lifestyle which represents the school in a positive manner at all times. This includes during holidays, trips, or field trips. Failure to comply with this lifestyle may result in the forfeiture of the opportunity to participate in the athletic program. Lifestyles include, but are not limited to:
 - a. A student-athlete shall not steal or use another person's property without permission of the owner (game suspension will be imposed).
 - b. A student-athlete shall not use obscene, vulgar or any other non-Christian language at any time (suspension will be imposed).
 - c. Student-athletes who engage in any criminal activity or violations of civil law may be denied participation in an extracurricular program. Recognizing the varying degrees of severity of the violations (misdemeanors or felonies), consequences for such involvement may result in denial of participation depending upon the offense's nature.
3. A student-athlete must be ready to display effort, cooperation, respect, and support for coaches and other team members.
4. A student-athlete must display a good attitude. Negative attitude towards the coach or other student-athletes will not be tolerated.
5. A student-athlete is expected to be on-time and prepared. Any student-athlete late to the game may not be allowed to start unless cleared by the coach.
6. A student-athlete must notify the coach prior to practice if they will be absent from practice.
7. All student-athletes with their coaches are responsible for keeping the gym floor swept, locker room clean/pick up, and uniforms maintained.
8. A student-athlete who receives an in-school or out-school suspension while a member of a team will be required to miss two games/ or on meet, in addition to any gam/meet missed while serving the suspension. This is applicable in or out of season. Student-athletes who are in more than one sport (dual sport athlete) will miss both games of each sport in which they are participating. These games/meets missed will be the next games/meets on the schedule. Neither the student-athlete nor the coach may choose a different game/meet/
9. Student-athletes must be in attendance at school ALL DAY to participate in practices and games that day unless he/she has prior permission from the Athletic Director or Principal.
10. Students must abide by all policies/procedures outlined in the student parent handbook.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THESE EXPECTATION _____ (Student-Athlete)

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THESE EXPECTATION _____ (Parent/Guardian)

St. Mary's Catholic School Expectations
(Sign each paragraph/section)

Expectations of the STUDENT-ATHLETES

1. A positive attitude and learning spirit and acceptance of responsibility for one's own actions.
2. Must maintain passing grades in all subjects. When a problem arises, the student immediately sees the teacher and secondly, sees the coach.
3. Arrive on time for practices and games and will notify the coach in person or email if something arises.
4. Any outside training during the season or one's school sport is NOT recommended by coaches and the Athletic Director (please see them for reasons).
5. Entourage good sportsmanship from fellow student-athletes, coaches, officials and parents at every game and practice by demonstrating good sportsmanship.
6. Listen and learn from the coaches.
7. Encourage my parents/guardians to be involved with my team in some capacity, because it is important to me.
8. Understand that student-athletes are held to a high standard and acknowledge that it is a privilege (not a right) to participate in sports.
9. Refrain from engaging in social-media disputes involving individuals or matters of the team or school
10. Abide by the policy that the use of cell-phones is PROHIBITED during practices and games.
11. When complaints arise, I will first seek the coach and coaching staff to resolve any issues. If further discussion is needed, I will involve my parents in talking with the coach. If at that time and that time only the issue has not been resolved, we will then involve the Athletic Director or School Administration may get involved.

I Have Read and Understand These Expectations _____ (Student-Athlete)

I Have Read and Understand These Expectations _____ (Parent/Guardian)

Expectations - UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT

I have read and agree to abide by all the policies for Uniforms and Equipment outlined in the Athletic Handbook. These policies include (but are not necessarily limited to) the following:

1. The proper uniforms are worn during practice, games, and travel.
2. Current replacement costs will determine the amount for which the student-athlete will be held accountable, but this amount will be, at minimum, \$75.00 for a uniform.
3. The cost of any uniform returned is a condition whereby it cannot be reissued and will be charged to the student-athlete. This includes uniforms that have been improperly cared for.
4. Student-athletes will not be allowed to continue or begin a new season until all financial obligations have been cleared (unless other prior arrangements have been approved).

I Have Read and Understand These Expectations _____ (Student-Athlete)

I Have Read and Understand These Expectations _____ (Parent/Guardian)

Expectations - GroupMe

The GroupMe app is to be used by the coaches to send out team information/reminders to parents. This includes practice times, game times, return from game times, and cancellations. GroupMe is also a way to communicate to the coaches of missing practices or other such things pertinent to the team. GroupMe is meant to be a supplement for the season itinerary; it is not meant to be the primary way that this information is conveyed.

1. No messages will be sent after 10pm.
2. No messages will be sent discussing issues or team problems/disagreements or which attack or villainize any person, group of people, or institution.

I Have Read and Understand These Expectations _____(Student-Athlete)

I Have Read and Understand These Expectations _____(Parent/Guardian)



**SMCS EXPECTATIONS COMMITMENT AND
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF SMCS RULES & REGULATIONS**

I have read the St. Mary's Standards of Conduct for Student-Athletes; the Expectations of Coaches, Student-Athletes, and Parents; and the Expectations regarding travel, uniforms and GroupMe and have initialed where indicated, agreeing to the requirements and expectations of participating on any St. Mary's Catholic School team. I also understand the consequences of not adhering to these expectations.

In addition, I have read ALL of the St. Mary's Athletic Handbook and agree to abide by the rules and regulations, and commitments set forth in it. I also acknowledge that the final interpretation of these rules, regulations, and commitments lies with the Principal and St. Mary's Administrative Staff. I note that all required St. Mary's Catholic forms must be completed before a student-athlete is eligible for participating on the team.

The student-athlete and parent/guardian's signature below are an acknowledgment of the information/rules in this handbook and of expectations commitment.

Student Name (Print):

Student Signature:

Date

Parent/Guardian Name (Print):

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Date