

# San Marcos High School

## Boys Soccer Program

### Team Guidelines

**Attention:** To participate in the Boys Soccer Program here at San Marcos High School, you must read the following and agree to sign this contract. By signing this contract your signature will represent your understanding of the procedures set by this program and the expectations set by the coaching staff. The purpose of this contract is to set a code of accountability for the players.

1. All players within this program will adhere to any and all of the school policies regarding conduct, integrity and discipline in and out of season.
2. **PLAYER COMMUNICATION**: Now that the players have reached high school it is their responsibility to communicate to the coaches regarding any issues pertaining to soccer. Parents should allow their sons to experience how to communicate to their coaches and how to be responsible for themselves. Players need to learn this skill because sooner then later they are going to have to speak for themselves. This behavior will help their growth as a young man, plus build a relationship with their coaches. So PARENTS, LET YOUR SONS DUE THE COMMUNICATING.
3. All players are required to have a positive attitude towards their teammates, Coaches, opponents, referees, administration, faculty, fans and their peers throughout the entire season. Each player is to practice the concept "We are a TEAM FIRST and an individual second"!! Each player is expected to encourage and motivate each other with a positive approach. If at anytime a player does not carry or express themselves in a positive manner at anytime the following consequence will apply:
  - a. First Time; **The person will receive extra training after practice**
  - b. Second Time; **loss of starting position and game time or playing time all together**
  - c. Third Time; **Conference with Coaching Staff**
  - d. Fourth Time; **Dismissed from the team**

**\*\*\*\*\*Address your coaches as "Coach" with their name**

**\*\*\*\*\*Address the referees as "Sir"**

4. **ATTENDANCE**: All players are required to attend all practices, film sessions, team meetings and games during the entire season. There will be **No Exceptions**, unless the reason warrants the absence. The **Coaching Staff** will decide if the absence is excused.

- a. First Absence; **Loss of starting position and game time or playing time all together**
- b. Second Absence; **Suspended from the team**
- c. Third Absence; **Dismissed from the team**

**NO PRACTICE, YOU DO NOT PLAY!! Playing time is earned in PRACTICE!!!  
There is no assurance, for ALL LEVELS.**

**Vacation Plans (During the Season)**: We understand that family time is very important and that vacations are an absolute necessity. However, to advance this soccer program to the highest possible level requires a *serious commitment to time. Our goal of superiority cannot be thwarted with a part-time commitment and attitude especially when serious players are striving to advance to the collegiate level and trying to obtain TEAM GOALS.* Therefore, if a vacation is more important at this time for you and your family, then we suggest that a vacation be your first priority. We will respect that decision, so you will then understand that this program will not wait for you. *The choice is yours*

5. **Punctuality**: All players are required to be on time for practices, games, and any other soccer related events. All players are to arrive at the school one half hour prior to the start of practice. This time will allow players to see the trainer and stretch prior to the start of practice. Arriving at the start of practice is unacceptable and will be considered as being late. Consequences for being late are as follows:

- a. First Time Late; **The team will receive extra training after practice**
- b. Second Time Late; **The person late will receive extra work after practice**
- c. Third Time Late; **loss of starting position and game time or playing time all together**
- d. Fourth Time Late; **Suspended from the team**
- e. Fifth Time Late; **Dismissed from the team**

## **6. INAPPROPRIATE LANGUAGE**

There will not be any inappropriate language used at anytime while involved in any area within the Boys Soccer Program. If the student athlete becomes a habitual offender regarding the use of inappropriate language, the student athlete will be suspended for a game. **THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS!!**

## **7. DRESS CODE**

Regarding the dress code; All players are required to wear the SMHS soccer or P.E shirts at practice. **NO EXCEPTIONS!!** All players will wear their polo shirts at school on game day **NO EXCEPTIONS!!**

Spirit packs will offered to each player in the program.

8. **Discipline During School**: If a player receives a detention or suspension during school the following consequences will apply:

- Detentions**:
- a. First Time; **loss of starting position and game time or playing time all together**
  - b. Second Time; **loss of starting position and game time or playing time all together**
  - c. Third Time; **Suspended from the team**
  - d. Fourth Time; **Dismissed from the team**

- Suspensions**:
- a. First Time; **loss of starting position and game time or playing time all together**
  - c. Second Time; **Suspended from the team**
  - d. Third Time; **Dismissed from the team**

9. All players will travel on the bus to and from games. **“NO EXCEPTIONS”!!!**

10. Playing Time: PT is something that is EARNED! By being at practice, following instructions and having a good attitude you will earn PT. SMHS soccer is about team soccer, not individual stats and achievements. GO KNIGHTS!!!!

Player Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_