



GREATER 69TH STREET WILDCATS' ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

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**Medical Treatment
and**

Liability & Photo Release Form

Each Participant Must Turn In A Completed Release Form At Registration; Otherwise They May Not Participate In Any Greater 69th Street Wildcat's Event.

I, the undersigned parent/guardian, do hereby grant permission for my daughter/son, whose name is _____, and hereafter shall be referred to as "youth participant" to partake in events with Greater 69th Street Wildcats, Inc. In order that youth participant may receive the necessary medical treatment in the event of an injury or illness, I hereby release the team, and its representatives from any liability associated with the exercise of this authority.

- I further acknowledge and agree that in taking part in events and practices, there is a possibility of physical illness or injury (minimal, serious, or catastrophic) and that the youth participant is assuming the risk of such illness or injury by participating.
- I further agree to hold harmless, Greater 69th Street Wildcats, Inc., including its directors, staff, and facilities in which the event is held for any injury or illness incurred by participant during the course of the event.
- Please list below any medication to which the participant is allergic or is currently taking. If participant is under medication, please check to make sure he/she brings his/her medication and that he/she takes the prescribed dosage.

- I understand that photographs will be taken at events and used for the sole purpose of the Greater 69th Street Wildcats, Inc. yearbook, event recaps, and promotional materials.
 - Yes, my child can be included in team photographs
 - No, my child **can not** be photographed (PLEASE TALK TO YOUR CHILD ABOUT YOUR DECISION: REMIND HIM/HER TO STEP ASIDE DURING TEAM PHOTOGRAPHS)
- I understand that a completed medical form and code of ethics must be returned by August 1st or the youth participant's first practice

Print Youth Participant's Name

Print Parent/Guardian's Name **Date**

Parent's Signature **Date**

Greater 69th Street Wildcats Disciplinary Actions to The Rules of Conduct

Violations will be brought to the Greater 69th Street Board of Governors for review and the determination of disciplinary action. If disciplinary action is deemed necessary, the Board shall convene a hearing in which all affected parties shall be given ample opportunity to testify concerning their witnessing or involvement in the incident. Upon hearing all witnesses and evidence, the Board shall review the same and render a judgment, including any disciplinary action necessary. Because of the infinite range of potential violations and severity of the same, it shall be the responsibility of the Board to determine suitable disciplinary actions for the offense.

Examples of potential violations include:

- 1) Abusive, violent, or sexual contact with any child, staff member, fan, referee or any Participating person will result in immediate dismissal. **(this could result into legal action by the organization)**
- 2) Sexual or vulgar conduct or language is prohibited and shall not be tolerated. This could also be grounds for immediate dismissal
- 3) Language that is considered offensive from a racial, ethnic, religious or gender perspective is prohibited and will not be tolerated.
- 4) Sexual harassment is prohibited and will not be tolerated. **(If toward a child, legal action and immediate termination will follow with lifetime suspension)**
- 5) Drinking or selling alcoholic beverages, using or selling illegal substances or coming to any Greater 69th Street Wildcats or Bert Bell sanctioned event intoxicated or under the influence of illegal Substances is grounds for immediate dismissal and possible lifetime suspension. **(this could result into legal action by the organization)**
- 6) The act of gambling, or placing a bet on the games is prohibited and will not be tolerated. Cursing or abusive, demeaning or intimidating language in the presence of children, staff members, fans, referees or any participating person is prohibited and will not be tolerated.
- 7) Theft and/or misappropriation of funds, equipment, or any other Greater 69th Street Wildcat paraphernalia or the personal belongings of Wildcat members and fans is grounds for immediate dismissal from the organization. **(this could result in legal action taken by the organization)**

Examples of potential disciplinary action include(s):

Warning Letter:

The warning letter will be issued for the first time offenders of the rules of conduct. A letter will be issued per violation. The letter will explain the violation and when it occurred and who the violation was against. Anytime a violation occurs after the warning letter is issued, you will be placed into the second phase of the disciplinary action. The Warning Letter will come from the President or Vice President of the organization as an official document. This official document (on Wildcat letterhead - to be official), will be tendered to the alleged offending individuals with copies available to the Board of Governors only. General Members will not be privy to this document unless otherwise authorized by the alleged offending parties.

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Practice/Game Suspension:

Practice and/or game suspension will be issued to those who violate any of the rules of conduct repeatedly. A practice and/or game suspension can be coupled with a warning letter if the violation warrants this particular action.

Season Suspension:

Season suspension will be handed out when there's an accumulation of violations or an offense is severe enough that the Board of Governors feel it is necessary to place the offender on a season suspension.

Lifetime Suspension:

A lifetime suspension will be issued if the violator has gone through the chain of suspensions or the violation is severe enough that the previous code of conduct penalties would be tabled in favor of a lifetime suspension.

Additionally, the Greater 69th Street Wildcats may pursue legal action as appropriate based on the nature and severity of the Code of Conduct violations. Should any legal action need to be taken against any party, the Wildcat organization will look to retrieve the legal fees incurred, from the opposing party, in full, and without prejudice.

Team Rules

1) Schoolwork and Homework is paramount. It is important that our athletes place their education first and sports second. Poor grades and incomplete homework and/or poor behavior will result in disciplinary action on the field as well. Although we would like our players and cheerleaders to have good reports from school and from their parents, if the child is not cooperating, the player or cheerleader, at the discretion of the coach can bench the athlete for one or more games along with disciplinary action - depending upon the severity of the action. This does not mean the child misses practice, practice session must still be made, regardless of what punishment is mandated, at home or on the field - it is the practice (without playing in the game) that will jolt the child into making the necessary character adjustment.

"Yes parents we will provide an added rod".

2) Practice is important, therefore if an athlete does not attend practice the coaching staff is not required to play them in games or have them cheer at games and/or competition. All excused absences need to be cleared with the players head coach at least a week in advance unless an emergency arises. Once the head coach is informed of the emergency which has to be confirmed by a parent and/or guardian of the participating child, the player will be excused. At all weight levels, excuses have to be confirmed by the parent - but only players are allowed to communicate pending problems to the Head Coach. This is the start of our young children learning the responsibility of facing their coach, educator/teacher, future employer, problems, fears etc...and standing and speaking up for themselves with confidence to address their issue - not allowing mom or dad to speak and do for them what they can do for themselves - but to start taking ownership of their actions and their lives.

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3) On the field of play the coaching staffs word is the final word not parents/guardians/family members, or friends. Talking back disrespectfully, use of profanity toward each other or toward coaches, or any other form of disrespect will result in disciplinary action(s).

4) Parents or other Coaches are prohibited from verbally attacking, harassing, or challenging the coaching staffs strategy and authority during practice or games. If they have a need to speak out about a matter on the field, we ask that you pull the coaches aside after practice or games to discuss the matter with the intent to help and not to cause discord. If parents do not handle matters as stated in the prior sentence and the offense continues during practice and games, the organizations officials will ask you to leave the field. If coaches do not handle it through this process then he/she will be asked to leave the field of play and may forfeit their position as a coach within the organization. If you persist even after we asked you to leave the field of play, we will then have the authority to remove you.

5) Players are responsible for there equipment not their parents. If your equipment needs repair, you must tell your coach immediately. For smaller players the mandate is the same. Although players may not be able to wash their uniforms by themselves and keep them clean - they can keep them organized and in a place where nothing is lost, stolen or misplaced. Do not practice or play with broken or defective equipment because there's greater risk for injury. If you come to a game or practice without your equipment you will not play in the game that week and disciplinary action will follow.

6) Parents are prohibited from the practice field during practice. You must watch practice from the outskirts of the entire field unless you become a coach your not allowed on the field. Parents are not allowed to enter the playing field even after the game has ended, you must wait until the coach brings the team off of the field of play first before you come around the team. In addition, no parent is allowed to take their child from the team until the Coaching Staff is officially done addressing the team. This goes for practices and games.

Disciplinary Action:

If a player doesn't follow the rules of the team he/she will face disciplinary action. Running is an everyday part of practice; however, running may also be used to discipline a player/cheerleader. Crab crawls, pushups, grass drills, etc. may used for minor incidents (i.e. not paying attention, not following instructions). A player may be asked to leave practice early for more severe incidents such as fighting or profanity. If a parent is not present the player will be supervised until the child is picked up. Game suspensions may be used as a last resort for any prolonged or more serious offense.

Practices: Rules for Football Players and Cheerleaders

The wildcat organization will begin practice August 1st Monday thru Friday between 6pm-8pm. Beginning in September the practice schedule will be reduced to 3 practices a week. The head coach for each team will determine the 3 days of practice. Our coaching staffs will train you to be mentally and physically prepared to play football and participate in cheerleading, and when you are missing practice you are missing important and valuable information that will prepare to be a better athlete.

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The following will be used as a guideline for absent players.

1. Missed practice without a phone call to your coach

Player/Cheerleader will not start in game that week.

2. Two missed practices without a phone call to your coach.

Player/Cheerleader will not play in game that week.

3. One missed practice with phone call to your coach.

Player/Cheerleader will not start game that week.

4. Two missed practices with phone call to coach.

Player/Cheerleader will not play until second half or will miss the entire game.

Dances, incomplete homework, other team games etc. are **NOT** excused absences.

We play and practice in the rain, heat, snow and the cold weather.

Lightening will be the only weather related cancellation.

Your signature below confirms that you've read, understand, and adhere to the terms and conditions of the Greater 69th Street Wildcats Rules to the Code of Conduct.

_____ Date _____

Signature of parent/guardian/Supporter

_____ Date _____

Signature of player/cheerleader

_____ Date _____

Signature of Head Coach / Board Member