

ATHLETIC PHILOSOPHY OF BADIN HIGH SCHOOL

Athletics play an important role in the Philosophy of Badin High School. Realizing that the total development of the student involves mental, physical, emotional, and social development, we strive to nurture unselfish attitudes and develop self-discipline through athletic competition.

Athletics expose students to concepts of teamwork, dedication to purpose, emotional control, goal setting, and the ability to accept criticism, success and failure. The involvement of the students in athletics at Badin is a **privilege** and there are standards of conduct that must be upheld. All students involved are required to follow the policies set forth by Badin High School and the athletic department. We continually strive to encourage all teams equally to their highest level of performance both on and off the field of play.

All sports offered at Badin are important. The athletic program is intended to offer a variety of opportunities for a variety of students. Some sports are more visible and receive greater media coverage. Athletic participation, however, is of equal importance regardless of sport.

Athletes, parents, faculty, staff, alumni and others involved in the athletic program are always expected to keep sports in the proper perspective as part of the educational mission of the school and to not lose sight of the ideals of amateur athletic competition. Badin pledges itself to the promotion of good sportsmanship and respect for participants, officials and others.

BADIN INTERSCHOLASTIC TEAM POLICIES

1. The Badin Athletic Program consists of the following sports.

Boys

Fall sports

Cross Country – varsity and reserve
Golf- varsity and reserve
Football- varsity, reserve, freshman
Soccer -varsity and reserve

Winter sports

Basketball- varsity, reserve, freshman
Bowling
Swimming and Diving
Wrestling

Spring sports

Baseball- varsity and reserve and freshmen
Tennis -varsity
Track – varsity and reserve
Volleyball- varsity

Girls

Fall sports

Cross Country – varsity
Golf- varsity
Tennis – varsity and reserve
Soccer – varsity and reserve
Volleyball- varsity, reserve, freshman
Cheerleading – varsity and reserve

Winter sports

Basketball- varsity, reserve, freshman
Bowling
Swimming
Gymnastics
Cheerleading

Spring sports

Softball – varsity and reserve
Track – varsity
Cheerleading tryouts and camps

1. Students participating in cheerleading, and interscholastic athletics are required to pay a non-refundable participation fee. The fee is \$200.00 for the first sport, \$150.00 for the second sport, and \$50.00 for the third. You may sell a full page ad in Fall or Winter Sports program and Catham will pay for the first sport played, or a half-page ad, Catham will pay \$100.00 of the fee.
2. All student athletes are expected to uphold the Badin code of conduct as outlined in the student handbook. Badin student athletes are further expected to display fair and good sportsmanship toward teammates, coaches, opponents, officials, and fans on and off the field of play.
3. Any student who quits a sport, may not participate in any other sport until that season is complete, or if the coach of the current sport agrees to release the student-athlete. The athletic director and administration must also sign off on the release
4. Sport enhancement supplements are not permitted in any Badin Athletic Program.
5. Visible tattoos are not allowed. An athlete must keep his/her tattoo covered for team pictures, during practice and during athletic events.
6. An athlete must be academically eligible to participate in sports. The Ohio High School Athletic Association by-law states that an athlete must have passing grades in a minimum of five one credit courses in the immediately preceding grading period to participate in sports. Incoming freshmen must pass five of their fourth quarter courses.
7. A Badin athlete must pass five full credit courses from the previous quarter to participate in a sport during the next quarter. The academic eligibility of an athlete will be checked bi-weekly during a sport's season. An athlete must maintain passing grades in five full credit course to participate. The athlete will practice during that time. After one week the grades will be checked and eligibility re-determined.
8. The grade you receive biweekly will reflect the grade you would receive in that class should you withdraw from school at that point.
9. An athlete who did not pass five one credit courses at the end of the previous school year shall be ineligible to play for the first quarter of the next school year.
10. According to the Ohio High School Athletic Association, for eligibility purposes,

summer school grades may not be used to substitute for failing grades received in final grading period of the regular school year or for the lack of enough courses the preceding grading period.

11. Athletes and one parent will be required to attend all pre-season meetings of the sport he/she are participating in.
12. All athletic/medical forms must be completed on **final forms** on or before the first scrimmage. Athletes without signed forms will not be permitted to play.
13. Proof of health insurance is required.
14. All members of a team are required to attend every team practice and game, except in cases of emergency or illness. **If** a player is absent from school, he/she is ineligible to participate in practice or games on that day. No player will be excused from practice or games because of work.
16. In order to participate in practice or games, the athlete must arrive at school no later than 10:45 and may not leave earlier than 10:45. They must be in attendance for at least four complete class periods. Coaches may have a policy requiring the athlete to be in attendance for the entire school day. **If** the student/athlete is on an early dismissal schedule, he/she must still attend four classes.
17. Uniforms will be issued at the beginning of the season. Players are responsible for uniforms and warm-ups issued to them. **If** they are damaged or lost, the athlete must replace them or reimburse the athletic department.
18. All members of the teams are expected to share in responsibilities of the team. This includes set up and clean up for practices and games, maintaining equipment, etc.
19. Coaches may have additional policies that are approved by the administration.
20. **If** parents or athletes decorate the school for events. Approved tape may be used. All decorations must be pinned to the cork strips or approved magnets be used on the lockers.
21. **It** is our obligation to caution and warn you that by granting your child permission to play on a team there are certain risks of physical injury that can result from high school athletics.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY

In compliance with the Badin High School Student Handbook, a student/athlete in possession of an illegal substance and/or drug paraphernalia will be referred to the police. In addition to being referred to the police the student/athlete who is in season (in season includes from the first day of practice to the final tournament game) will comply with the following:

THIS POLICY IS IN EFFECT 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK FOR BADIN STUDENT/ATHLETES.

1st offense:

- The student/athlete and parents must meet with administrative team.
- The student/athlete will be sent for an evaluation. The student/athlete and parents must agree to follow the recommendations resulting from the evaluation.
- The student/athlete will be given 20 demerits and two Saturday schools.
- The student/athlete will be given three days of school suspension.
- The student/athlete will not be able to play in any games during the 30 day suspension, but must attend practices. The suspended athlete may not be in sports uniform, but may sit on the bench for all games.
- The student/athlete will not be permitted to attend any school sponsored events for 30 days except for the games played in his/her sport.

2nd offense :

- The student/athlete must attend a treatment program, out-patient or in-patient, based on the second evaluation of the athlete.
- The student/athlete will receive 20 demerits and two Saturday schools.
- The student/athlete must follow through on all treatment recommendations.
- The student/athlete will not be able to participate in any games during the 60 day suspension. **If** the second offense occurs during spring sports season, the athlete will serve the remainder of the 60 day suspension in the fall of the following year.
- The student/athlete will not be permitted to attend any school sponsored events for 60 days except for the games played in his/her sport.

3rd offense:

- The athlete will be expelled from Badin High School.

- Any student/athlete found to be distributing or selling drugs or counterfeit drugs will be automatically referred to the principal for expulsion and to the police for legal action.

Tobacco

An athlete who is caught using any tobacco products during the season will be benched for one or two games depending on the number of games in a season. An athlete who plays on a team that has less than 16 regular season games will be benched for one game. An athlete who plays on a team that has 16 or more regular season games will be benched for two games.

CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

- I. All suspected cases of child abuse or neglect shall be reported by the principal to a designated governmental agency for investigation and action as may be appropriate. Procedures for reporting such instances and information relevant to identifying victims shall be made available to all certified personnel and school employees by the archdiocese.
2. If the alleged child abuser is a member of the extended school staff, all such incidents shall be reported to the Archdiocesan authorities as well. This report shall be made to the Archdiocesan Director of Educational Services, or his designee. If the individual is a cleric or religious, the Director of Educational Services shall notify the Chancellor and/or religious supervisor.
3. All employees and volunteers of Badin High School are required by law to report suspected instances of child abuse or neglect to the principal. Staff members can be held criminally liable if they fail to report such suspected instances.

PARENT/COACH COMMUNICATION

As a member of the Ohio High School Athletic Association, The Greater Catholic League, Badin High School strives to provide a well-planned and well executed athletic program for the maximum number of students consistent with available facilities, personnel, financial support and policies of the school and its' athletic associations.

Both parenting and coaching are extremely difficult vocations. By establishing an understanding of each position, we are better able to accept the actions of the other and provide greater benefits to children. As parents, when our children become involved in our program, you have a right to understand what expectations are placed on your child. This begins with clear communication from the coach of your child's program.

The Badin Rams Athletic Program is based on the following premises:

- The fundamental purpose of Badin High School is academic preparation in a Catholic environment, and co-curricular activities supplement the purpose for which Badin exists.
- Interscholastic athletics are an important part of the overall educational program of Badin High School.
- It is important to instill in our athletes respect, pride, and loyalty to self, school and team and to develop a healthy sense of competitive spirit and desire on the field and in life.
- The growth and development of the well rounded student athlete-academically, religiously, socially, and athletically-is a primary concern of the Athletic Department.

Communication you should expect from your child's coach:

- Philosophy of the coach.
- Expectations the coach has for your child as well as all the players on the squad.
- Locations and times of all practices and contests.
- Team requirements, such as, fees, special equipment, off season conditioning.
- Discipline that results in the denial of your child's participation.

Communication coaches expect from parents:

- Concerns expressed directly to the coach.
- Specific concern in regard to a coach's philosophy and/or expectations.

As your children become involved in the programs at Badin, they will experience some of the most rewarding moments of their lives. It is important to understand that there also may be times when things do not go the way you or your child wishes. At these times discussion with the coach is encouraged.

Appropriate concerns to discuss with coaches:

- The treatment of your child, mentally and physically.
- Ways to help your child improve.
- Concerns about your child's behavior.

It is very difficult to accept that your child is not playing as much as you may hope. Coaches are professionals. They make judgment decisions based on what they believe to be the best for the team. As you have seen from the above list, certain things can be and should be discussed with your child's coach. Other matters, which will be listed below, must be left to the discretion of the coaching staff.

Issues not appropriate to discuss with coaches:

- Playing time.
- Team strategy.
- Play calling.
- Other student/athletes.

There are situations that may require a conference between the coach and the parent. These are to be encouraged. **It** is important that both parties involved have a clear understanding of the positions of the other. When these conferences are necessary, the following procedure should be followed to help promote a resolution to the issue of concern.

The procedure to address concerns with the coach:

- The first step should be to encourage your child to talk candidly with the coach, expressing questions or concerns at a time convenient to both the athlete and the coach.
- **If**, as a parent, you still have questions or concerns, you should contact the coach personally and arrange a convenient time to talk. Please do not attempt to approach a coach before or after a contest. These can be emotional times for both the parent and the coach. Meetings of this nature do not promote resolution.
- **If** concerns are still not resolved, the final step is to contact the Athletic Director and discuss the situation to determine any appropriate action. Mr. Melzer's phone number is 863-3993 extension 122.

Parent and Spectator Expectations

It is clear that parents play an influential role in school sports. How you behave in the stands, how you talk to your student-athlete, and interact with coaches and officials makes all the difference in your son or daughter's athletic experience.

Badin High School is committed to seeing that the student-athlete has a positive experience with participating in athletics. We expect all parents and spectators to behave in a manner that fosters support, enthusiasm, and good sportsmanship. These expectations are vital to the success of all participants and Badin Athletics as a whole.

Any spectator, who is asked to leave a sporting event, may be subjected to the following:

- Take a course on Positive Sport Parenting on NFHSlearn.com
- Must complete the course and bring certificate of completion before returning to the next event
- Possible ban from the next event or all events
- All incidents will be reviewed by the Administration and Athletic Department and will be handled on a case by case basis

**INELIGIBILITY AND RE-INSTATEMENT
GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES**

- I. A student/athlete must maintain passing grades in five of his/her full credit courses to participate in his/her sport.
2. Eligibility is determined biweekly.
3. A student/athlete who fails to meet this requirement will be ineligible to play in athletic contest the following week (Monday-Sunday.) The athlete is required to practice and to attend athletic contests (out of uniform) during that week.
4. Eligibility will be re-determined at the end of that week. Coaches and parents will be notified of the athlete's status. **If** a student is not passing five full credit courses at the end of the week, teachers will re-evaluate at the end of the second week, and so on.

INELIGIBLE TO PLAY FORM

_____ has failed to maintain passing grades in five full credit courses.

Ineligibility begins _____

Eligibility will be re-determined on, _____

RE-INSTATEMENT FORM

_____ has become eligible to return to full athletic participation.

Athletic Director signature, _____

Date _____

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION

Date_____

Student's name._____Grade_____

Parent's names_____

Home address_____Phone_____

Father's place of employment._____Phone_____

Mother's place of employment_____Phone_____

Please list two people (relative or neighbor) who may be notified if the parents cannot be reached

1. Name_____Phone._____

2. Name_____Phone_____

Doctor to be notified_____Phone_____

If emergency treatment is required can the school authorities use their own judgment in sending the child to the most accessible hospital or doctor before parents are reached?

Yes_____ No_____Hospital preferred._____

Signature of Parent or Guardian._____

This form will be carried by the coach to all practices and games.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF WARNING BY ATHLETE

I, _____, hereby acknowledge that I have been properly advised, cautioned, and warned by the proper administrative and coaching personnel of Badin High School that by participating in strength and conditioning activities I am exposing myself to the risk of serious injury, including, but not limited to, the risk of sprains, fractures, and ligament and/or cartilage damage, which could result in a temporary or permanent, partial or complete, impairment in the use of my limbs; brain damage; paralysis; or even death. I _____, also understand that the liability is mine if injury occurs while I am using the Terry Malone Weight and Fitness Room and/or during any strength and conditioning activities.

Having been so cautioned and warned, it is still my desire to choose to participate in strength and conditioning activities, and should I choose to participate in strength and conditioning activities, I hereby further acknowledge that I do so with full knowledge and understanding of the risk of serious injury to which I am exposing myself by participating in the above activities.

ATHLETE'S SIGNATURE _____

PARENT SIGNATURE _____

HEALTH INSURANCE PROVIDER _____

DATE _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF WARNING BY ATHLETE

I, _____ hereby acknowledge that I have been properly advised, cautioned, and warned by the proper administrative and coaching personnel of Badin High School that by participating in the sport of _____, I am exposing myself to the risk of serious injury, including, but not limited to, the risk of sprains, fractures, and ligament and/or cartilage damage, which could result in a temporary or permanent, partial or complete, impairment in the use of my limbs; brain damage; paralysis; or even death. Having been so cautioned and warned, it is still my desire to choose to participate in the above sport, and should I choose to participate in the above sport, I hereby further acknowledge that I do so with full knowledge and understanding of the risk of serious injury to which I am exposing myself by participating in the above sport.

ATHLETE'S SIGNATURE _____

PARENT SIGNATURE . _____

HEALTH INSURANCE PROVIDER. _____

DATE _____

**STEPHEN T. BADIN HIGH SCHOOL -ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT
ALCOHOL AND DRUG TRAINING POLICY FOR ATHLETES**

ATHLETE'S PLEDGE

As a participant in the Badin Athletic Program, I agree to abide by all training rules regarding the use of alcohol, drugs, and tobacco. Chemical dependency is a progressive but treatable disease, characterized by continued drinking/drugging in spite of recurring problems resulting from that use. Therefore, I accept and pledge to abide by the training rules listed in the athletic handbook and others established by my coach.

TO DEMONSTRATE MY SUPPORT, I PLEDGE TO:

1. Support my fellow athletes by setting an example and abstaining from alcohol, drugs, and tobacco use.
2. Not enable my fellow athletes who use alcohol, drugs, or tobacco. I will not cover up for them or lie for them if any rules are broken. I will hold my teammates responsible and accountable for their actions.
3. Seek information and assistance in dealing with my own or my fellow athletes' problems.
4. Be honest and open with my parents about feelings, needs, and problems.
5. Be honest and open with my coach and other school personnel when the best interests of my fellow athletes and my school are being jeopardized.

ATHLETE'S SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

**STEPHEN T. BADIN HIGH SCHOOL -ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT
ALCOHOL AND DRUG TRAINING POLICY FOR ATHLETES**

PARENT'S PLEDGE

As parent(s) of an athlete participating in the Badin Athletic Program, I/we will support _____'s agreement to abide by all the training rules. We recognize that chemical dependency is a progressive but treatable disease, characterized by continued alcohol/drug use in spite of recurring problems resulting from that use.

TO DEMONSTRATE MY/OUR SUPPORT, I/WE PLEDGE TO:

1. Set a positive example by exhibiting responsible use of alcohol/drugs/tobacco.
2. Heighten my/our awareness of my/our child's behavior, psychological needs, social habits, academic status.
3. Assert my/our authority as parent(s) in supporting and guiding my/our child.
4. Provide support for my/our child if it becomes apparent a problem exists by seeking information and assistance.
5. Not enable by covering up or providing alibis for my/our child if any training rules are broken. I will hold him/her responsible for his/her actions.
6. Uphold the coach and other school personnel by providing information and support in dealing with my/our child.
7. Communicate to school personnel any knowledge or information of persons who are violating training rules and/or may be in need of help.

PARENT _____

DATE _____

PARENT _____

DATE _____

DRIVING RELEASE

My son/daughter has my permission to drive himself/herself, as well as other members of the Badin High School team, in our privately owned vehicle for practices.

I acknowledge that we have adequate insurance to cover any claims. I hereby waive and discharge any and all claims, rights of action, demands, any and all other person or persons in charge for any injuries or damages which my son/daughter, either directly or indirectly, incurs or causes as a result of my son/daughter driving himself/herself or other team members to or from practice.

STUDENT'S NAME _____

PARENT'S SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

INSURANCE COMPANY _____

INSURANCE POLICY NUMBER _____

RIDING RELEASE

My son/daughter has my permission to ride in a privately owned vehicle to and from practices as a team member of Badin High School.

I hereby waive and discharge any and all claims, rights of action, demands or liabilities of whatever nature against Badin High School or any and all other person or persons in charge for any injuries or damages which my son/daughter, either directly or indirectly, incurs or causes as a result of him/her riding to and from practices.

ATHLETE'S NAME _____

PARENT SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____