

# **Willis Junior High Student Athlete & Parent Meeting**

Season 4  
March 2025

# Introductions

- Brett Epstein- Assistant Principal & Athletic Director
- Coaching staff:
  - ◆ Volleyball – Shai Hamu & Cat Suggs
  - ◆ Soccer – Ryan Reber & Kendall Messerole
  - ◆ Track & Field – Jesse Romero, Sarah Harris & Tami Frank

- **“Participation in athletic programs is a privilege, not a right. To earn that privilege, athletes must conduct themselves, on and off the field, as positive role models who exemplify good character.”**

# Sportsmanship Focus

- Athletes are expected to have a sense of commitment and dedication, team-work, and cooperation which are skills that will be used throughout the athletes life.
- Athletes are expected to have respect for the efforts, abilities, and rights of others.
- Athletes must be aware of the leadership responsibilities in their school and community.

# Eligibility

- Grade checks at progress reports, on Friday, April 18th
  - ◆ If failing any class, student-athlete must sit out 1 competition
  - ◆ Once passing, student can be eligible to return to competitions
  - ◆ Weekly checks thereafter through the remainder of the season

# Treatment of Officials

- Athletes and spectators are expected to treat all officials in any sport with respect.
- Parents, let the players play and the officials officiate.
- Athletes who are disrespectful to any official may be suspended or removed from the team.
- Parents who are loud and unruly at any athletic competition may be asked to leave by the official or administrator present.

# Character Matters

Weekly themes and activities led by coaches to help create better athletes and better people through sport.

# Zero Tolerance

- Hazing
- Bullying
- Harassment

Students will always be supervised by an adult and should never be in areas such as the locker room without an adult present.



# Parent-Coach Communication

- Please approach coaches after practices about general issues.
- If there is a serious concern, please set up a time and place to meet. Before, after, or during a game is not the proper venue to communicate serious concerns between coaches and parents.

# Uniforms and Equipment

- Ensure that school-issued uniforms and equipment are cared for during the season.
- Ensure that school-issued uniforms and equipment are turned in after the last game.
- Athletes are financially responsible for lost/damaged uniforms.

# Cancellation of Games

- Weather related
- Officials do not show up
- Other circumstances (no bus, irrigation/flooded fields, etc.)

# General Info

- Stay off gym floors between volleyball games (home and away)
- CUSD \$25 sports fee
  - ◆ Can be waived due to hardships

# End of Season

- Uniforms returned
- Celebration/recognition by each team
- CUSD Survey will be sent out via Parent Square

# EVC

## [www.eastvalleyconference.org](http://www.eastvalleyconference.org)

- Schedules
- Scores/Standings
- Links to school websites/maps

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