### ATHLETIC CODE OF CONDUCT

### BEHAVIORAL/PARTICIPATION STANDARDS

- 1. Athletes who quit or get dismissed from a sport will not be allowed to practice another sport until the current sport is over. The only exception to this rule is by mutual consent of both coaches.
- 2. School athletic equipment will not be given out to be used during the summer without the approval of the Athletic Director. Equipment is no to be used by outside groups.
- 3. Game officials will be treated with respect and participants will avoid arguments with officials. Players showing disrespect to officials may be dismissed form the team for the rest of the season.
- 4. Participants must keep a good relationship with opposing coaches and player.
- 5. The use of profanity is inconsistent with the philosophy of athletes and will not be tolerated.
- 6. If a student loses his/her equipment, he/she must reimburse the school for it.

# **CONDUCT THAT MAY WARRANT DISMISSAL**

Following are acts, which may cause an athlete to be dismissed from the athletic program for the remainder of the year.

- 1. Immorality or stealing
- 2. Violation of written school rules, regulations or policies.
- 3. Possession, threat, or use of a dangerous weapon.
- 4. Assault, including verbal threat, battery and destruction of property.
- 5. Possession or use of any illegal drug, tobacco (of any form) or alcohol.
- 6. Conduct, which jeopardizes the safety of others, which includes show disrespect to an official.
- 7. Habitual absence.
- 8. Membership by athletes in secret clubs, sororities or other secret organizations.
- 9. Hazing
- 10. Conduct of any kind resulting in arrest.

## **DISMISSAL FROM A TEAM**

Coaches have the responsibility of providing an atmosphere that is conductive to coaching their athletes. Therefore, athletes who become disruptive to the program should be dealt with in a firm, fair and consistent manner. The coach will first try to resolve any such situation, of circumstances permit, before dismissing any athlete.

### APPEAL TO THE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

- 1. Any athlete who has been dismissed from his/her team will have the right of appeal by making a written request specifying the reasons for the appeal to the Athletic Director within three days from the date of the athlete's dismissal from his/her team(s).
- 2. The Athletic Director may uphold the original decision or reverse the decision, depending on the evidence. The athlete has a right to appeal this decision.

#### APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

- 1. If the athlete desires to make further appeal, and only having appealed to the Athletic Director, the athlete will have the right to make a written request to the Superintendent of Schools within five days from date of previous appeal requesting a hearing before the Geary Board of Education. The written request will specify the basis for the appeal.
- 2. The decision of the Board of Education shall be final.

## STUDENT SAFETY/GROOMING

No student may start practice for any athletic team until he/she has been examined and approved by a medical doctor and until a written consent has been obtained from a parent/guardian. Insurance against accident or injury shall be provided by the students engaging in interscholastic athletics. Athletes shall comply with the Geary Student Handbook.

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