



Milford Mill Academy Athletics

"Home of the Millers"



Student-Athlete & Parent Code of Conduct

All athletes who are members of Milford Mill Academy High School understand that participating in athletics demands tremendous commitment and dedication. Likewise, parents make great commitment and sacrifice for their children to play with the team. Playing for the Milford Mill Academy High School is a privilege, not a right. As Milford Mill players and parents, we understand and agree to follow the policies:

Player Responsibilities

1. All players will treat teammates, coaches, teachers, administration, officials and opponents with dignity and respect.
2. All players, regardless of ability and/or playing time are equal members of the team. Each and every player will treat all teammates with acceptance, respect, and friendship.
3. All players will provide maximum effort in practice and games.
4. Attendance at all practices, team meetings, study hall, and games is **mandatory**. While injured players may be unable to play, they are still expected to arrive on time, listen to coaches, and encourage teammates and assist the team, if possible. They will also may be given extra duties to help with practice or game management, depending on their abilities.
5. In very rare situations, players may be excused from games and/or practices. When this occurs, players are responsible for informing the coach verbally through a **phone call or meeting at the earliest possible time**. When players **miss practices and/or games, playing time in future games may be affected**.
6. Unexcused absences are absences in which the coach was not informed (phone call, text message, email, or in person) in the manner described above (and/or the reason for the absence is not satisfactory). **An unexcused absence from practice and/or game may result in reduced playing time at the next contest, or potential disqualification from future contest deemed appropriate by head coach and/or director of athletics.**
7. Players are to be on time for all practices and games. Tardiness may affect playing time in games. Chronic lateness may result in suspension of the player. Players are expected to directly seek understanding and resolution when questions or problems arise with coaches and teammates.
8. Players will conduct their personal lives in a manner that brings honor to themselves and the team. This includes school performances, self-respect, healthy behaviors and social responsibility. Any behavior unbecoming of an athlete will not be permitted.
9. All players will adhere to appropriate **BCPS media and social media communication policies** outlined in the BCPS Student Handbook. Any infraction to this policy may result in termination from participation in an extra-curricular activity.
10. **Parents will support their children and athletic program to the best of their ability. If, there is an issue or concern with a specific program we adhere to follow the listed chain of command the 24 hours following a game or event:**
 1. Head Coach of Sport
 2. Director of Athletics
 3. Assistant Principal
 4. Principal
11. All spectators are required to demonstrate appropriate behavior at all athletic contests. Admission to an athletic event entitles the spectator to enjoy a competitive game in an **educational setting**. Unsportsmanlike conduct is unacceptable and will result in the offender being asked to leave the event. Attending future events in Baltimore County Public Schools could also be affected.

Code of Conduct

1. Play to win
2. Play fair
3. Observe the Laws of the Game
4. Respect opponents, teammates, referees, officials, and spectators.
5. Accept defeat with dignity. Win with modesty and give credit to teammates.
6. PROMOTE THE BEST INTEREST OF MILFORD MILL ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL.
7. STRIVE FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE.

I _____, am a role model. I understand the spirit of fair play while playing hard. I will refrain from engaging in all types of disrespectful behavior, including inappropriate language, taunting, trash talking, and unnecessary physical contact. I know the behavior expectations of my school and my conference, and hereby accept the responsibility and privilege of representing this school and community as a student-athlete.

I accept and agree to abide by the rules outlined in this document:

Player Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____

Player Print Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____

Parent/Guardian Print Name: _____