

Berean Academy Sports Handbook 2022-2023

Berean Academy is dedicated to aiding student athletes into becoming successful in the classroom, as well as on the courts and fields in which they participate in sports. It is our goal to push athletes to exceed expectations while accomplishing their goals.

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PRACTICE

Meeting scheduled practices is very important to the success of our sports programs and the development of unity amongst team members. Student athletes are required to meet all scheduled practices. Emergency circumstances, job scheduling, illness or pre-planned family functions will be the only excuse acceptable from practice. Repetitive absences will lead to an athlete being held from game participation and can result in suspension from the team. Our scheduled practices are (Mon-Thursday 4:00 till 6:00) or practice times may go a little longer according to the sport. All practices will be held at Berean Academy or at a designated practice field.

There will be no practices scheduled during Calendar holidays, but practices maybe held on days were students are scheduled to be out of school. Parents and students will be notified in the event of these circumstances.

COACHES COMMITMENT

All coaches of Berean Academy sports are required to be fully committed to every aspect of the sport in which they oversee. They must receive certification through the CAA or the USA for youth sports, along with the Concussion Protocol Certification and Fingerprint Card in order to participate. There are no exceptions. Full commitment to scheduled practices, games and student athletes is required. Proper etiquette to parents, school administration, and players must be exemplified; misconduct of any nature will be the reason for dismissal.

STUDENT ATHLETES COMMITMENT

Student athletes must be committed to being grade a scholars, athletes, and respectful participants to Coaches, teachers, as well as school administrators. Student athletes are viewed as role- models by their peers and must exemplify demeanors that reflect responsibility on and off the fields/courts in which they execute their talents. Misbehavior in school and unsportsmanlike behavior will not be tolerated, and will result in probation or suspension from a team. Grade checks will be conducted on a weekly basis. Students must have a **C** or above to participate in events.

DEDICATION

Dedication to the sports programs of Berean Academy will be a collaboration of coaches, faculty, student athletes and parents. It will require efforts from all entities above to make our programs successful. We will use four attributes as our means of achieving success RESPECT, HONOR, DISCIPLINE and SCHOLARSHIP.

GAME SCHEDULING

As a member of a Charter School sport association the (CAA Canyon Athletic Association) we are required to schedule all games according to the regulations of the association, and the teams we compete against are members of the same association. The only exceptions that can be made are for middle school events if we choose. Middle school events will take place with inner city schools and other schools surrounding Sierra Vista.

HOME GAMES

On the day of home games (according to the time of the event) students are called from class an hour and 30 minutes before game time. The 30 minute period is to allow players to get to game sight. The hour is set for pre-game warm-up. Parents are asked to transport students to and from home games. For example, at 3o'clock games, we will depart from the school at approximately 1:30 pm. The games will last about 1 ½ hrs and parents or guardians are asked to be there to pick the student up afterwards. We ask that you please be courteous in your arrival time for pick-up, as coach will remain on site until all students have left the premises.

AWAY GAMES

Away games are scheduled according to the CAA website; times are set by the league and we conduct ourselves accordingly. All away games are played in Phoenix or Tuscan to which we travel. Transportation is provided by the school with the Coach, the Athletic Director, and at least one chaperone. The game times are arranged by Berean Academy and the school being visited. Game times range from 3 o'clock to possibly 5 at the latest The only exception is Football in which those games start time is 7o'clock. We travel for 3hrs there and 3 hrs back, with meals in between. Students will need money for meals, but in cases where they don't have money they will be taken care of. Schedules for the games will indicate the time and location of the games. Parents and guardians are welcome to go to away games, but the school can only provide transportation for students and coaches.

In the event that a student has a visiting relative at any away game, and requests to leave with that person, the coach must be notified by letter or email prior to the game or the student must

remain with coach and team. Safety of our students is of the utmost importance and we will not jeopardize the well-being of any of our athletes.

UNIFORMS

Uniforms are primarily provided by the school and are considered school property; therefore they are to be returned by the end of the said sports season. In the event that a student athlete purchases a uniform it is their own property and the responsibility for the up keep of the uniform is that student's responsibility. School uniforms are to be turned in after each game to be washed in preparation for the next game. The school is not responsible for the shoes, cleats, etc. that a student wears, but will ask that they are in accordance to the uniform colors.

Coach will provide parents with an agenda of the events taking place each game trip including Travel time, bathroom stops, return time, warm up time, field time, and dinner time, etc... The agenda will be left in the office with, phone numbers to Coaches.

Once again we thank you for allowing us to be a facilitator of academics and sports to your child and our student athlete.