### Mangum Public Schools / 2016-2017 Athletic Policy

## **Expectations**

Every student enrolled in athletics will be expected to act and dress in a manner which will represent our school well. Each student/athlete will be expected to work hard individually, work together with teammates, and develop a sense of pride in our athletic programs. The coaches will push each athlete to be the best that they can be.

#### **Enrollment**

Every student/athlete must participate in a sport to be enrolled in athletics. Students will be required to be in off-season until their sport begins or after that sport is completed for that semester. The only exception will be for seniors who are granted work permits.

## **Quitting a Sport**

Every student/athlete will be given a 7 day grace period at the beginning of that sport. This period is seven consecutive days (EX. If practice starts on Wednesday they have until next Wednesday to decide). If he/she quits within those 7 days, they can transfer to off-season or change classes. If he/she quits after those 7 days, they will be required to sit in the bleachers of the gymnasium every day during athletics until that sport is completed or change classes.

#### **Grading Policy**

Each student will be given a numerical grade that will be recorded on his or her transcript. Their grade will be based on attendance, participation, and completion of sport to the end of the season. Students with good attendance and participation will receive 100 for the 9 Weeks. Students with poor attendance and participation may be subject to their 9 Weeks grade lowered by one or two letter grades (determined by the coach of the sport in season). If practices are after school, students will be required to attend those practices to meet the attendance requirement. If students are sitting out because of injury or sickness, with a doctor's note or at the coach's discretion, they have met the requirement. Students who are not dressed out will walk laps or walk up and down the stairs. Students who make up what they have missed will have met the attendance and participation requirement. Unexcused absences, not dressing out, or not doing the required activities may result in a lower grade for the 9 Weeks. Students who quit a sport (after the 7 day grace period) may receive a maximum grade of 59 for the 9 Weeks and may be required to sit in the stands until that sport is over.

# Corporal Punishment

Corporal punishment may given to students who have signed the "Parental Consent to Administer Corporal Punishment" form. Swats will be given and witnessed in a room by an administrator, or other place out of the presence of other students. The swats will be given with reasonable force using a wooden paddle on the buttocks of the students.

## **Absences**

Any unexcused absence may be punished by running, suspension, cleaning, or other forms of punishment. On excused absences students will be expected to make up what they have missed, if possible. Unexcused absences will be turned to the principal's office as a discipline referral (detentions may be given).

#### Horseplay

Horseplay will not be tolerated. Running, cleaning, or other punishment will be given for horseplay.

## **Bus Rules**

Students must ride the bus on all school activities unless permission has been given by the coaches or the athletic director. The following are rules that have been set in place:

- 1. Be on time
- 2. Observe safety practices
- 3. Keep hands and body parts inside bus
- 4. Stay in your seat
- 5. Place trash in proper place
- 6. No loud, disruptive behavior
- 7. Do not throw objects inside or outside the bus
- 8. Do not leave items on the bus at the end of the trip
- In case of emergency, remain on the bus until the driver instructs you otherwise

Punishment for not following bus rules – running/conditioning, suspension, corporal punishment, or other forms of punishment.

#### Physicals/Insurance

Every student/athlete must have a current physical on file before they can participate in athletics. Students must also be covered by a health insurance plan to participate in athletics.

## **Locks and Lockers**

Lockers will be issued for the students. However, locks are the responsibility of the student unless otherwise noted by a coach. Items left at school will be expected to be locked up so that items of value are not stolen. The school or coaches will not be responsible for lost or stolen items. School officials have the authority to search the lockers at any time without any notice and to seize any property prohibited by law or school policy.

## Rules

Each coach will have their own set of rules for their respective sports. These rules must be followed to participate in that sport.

#### ATHLETIC POLICY

I have read and understand the Athletic Policy that has been approved by the Mangum Board of Education and Mangum Public Schools.

Student's Name	Date
Parent's signature	Date