CLIMAX SPRINGS R-IV SCHOOL ATHLETIC HANDBOOK 2021-2022

CALEB PETET, Superintendent MISTI BRUNNERT, PK-12 Principal

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Athletes,

Welcome to Cougar Country! My name is Misti Brunnert and I am the Principal and Athletic Director for Climax Springs R-IV School District. Athletic programs are an integral part of a solid academic program. Students participating in extracurricular activities are more likely to be connected to school, experience academic success, and have a positive self-esteem. Students participating in our athletic programs are expected to maintain academic and behavior eligibility.

Our athletic programs strive to provide opportunities for competition, sportsmanship, teamwork, and individual growth. Parental involvement is important for the success of our teams. We deeply appreciate your consistent support of these programs!

This is the Climax Springs R-IV Schools Athletic Handbook. Please take time to read each section to ensure a successful season for you and your athlete. There are several documents that require information from you and your signature to confirm understanding. Please return these forms to the appropriate coach prior to the start of the season. If you have questions or concerns, please contact your athlete's coach, followed by the Athletic Director.

We look forward to seeing you in the stands! GO Cougars!

Ms. Misti Brunnert PK-12 Principal Athletic Director

Vision Statement

<u>Progress, Responsibility, Innovation, Determination, Excellence</u>

Climax Springs R-IV School District does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, national origin, handicap, or age in admission, or access to, or treatment of employment in its programs or activities. Any questions regarding the Board's compliance with Title VI, Title IX, or Section 504 including information about the existence and location of services, activities, and facilities that are accessible to and usable by disabled persons may be directed to the Title IX Coordinator/ Superintendent of Schools at (573) 347-2351 ext. 3.

Students eligible for enrollment and participation in any and all classes and activities being offered at his/her grade level with inquiries concerning the application of this policy, grievance procedures, or other matters pertaining to Title IX, Title VI, and/or Section 504 may contact Title IX Coordinator/Student Services Director at (573) 347-2351 ext. 1, Climax Springs R-IV School District, 571 Climax Avenue Climax Springs, MO 65324.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

The role of the District's Board is to govern the community's public schools by making the major decisions for the District as a whole. The Board collectively makes these decisions and individual Board members do not have the power to speak or act for the Board. The Board as a whole, by working with the Superintendent to make decisions that will best serve the District's students, will govern the community's schools. Accordingly, complaints or concerns made to Board members will be referred to the appropriate District point of contact for resolution.

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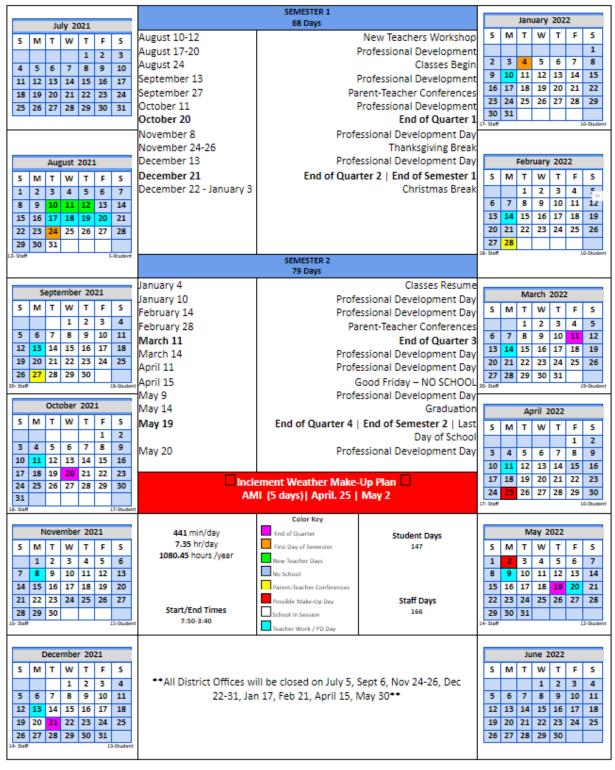
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		James Butterfield	Head JH Boys BBall
		Craig Parrack	Asst. JH Boys BBall
		Craig Parrack	Asst. Varsity Boys BBall
		Josh Griffith	Head Varsity Girls BBall
		Jacob Moore	Asst. Varsity Girls BBall
		Josh Griffith	Head JH Girls BBall
		Jacob Moore	Asst. JH Girls BBall
		Jacob Moore	Head Baseball
		Josh Griffith	Asst. Baseball
		Kylie Woods	Head Softball Coach
		Tori Frisbee	Asst. Softball Coach
		Ciara Todd	Co-Cheer Sponsor
		Karmen Zabala	Co-Cheer Sponsor

GENERAL INFORMATION

Core Beliefs

Participation in athletics has been shown to build character and teach the values of honesty, teamwork, and hard work. Climax Springs R-IV makes every attempt to provide as many opportunities for students to compete in interscholastic competition as possible. However, Participation in athletics at Climax Springs R-IV is a privilege, not a right. We expect our student athletes to be <u>students</u> first and foremost. That means academically successful and eligible. We hold our athletes to a higher standard, and expect you to be students first. One should be very proud to be a part of this tradition. Our athletes are looked up to as leaders, and we will ensure that they deserve the privilege by holding them accountable in the classroom.

<u>Academics</u>

Initial academic eligibility is based on grades earned during the last semester of the preceding academic year (grades 10-12), or the preceding 9 week grading period (8th grade). One F on the biweekly eligibility reports will result in academic suspension until the next eligibility check. Academic suspension will result in mandatory study hall until the grades have improved. Academic suspension will result in the athlete not participating in games. The athlete on academic suspension may go to the game, but may not dress out. The Athlete will still be allowed to sit the bench and support his/her teammates. The Athlete is also expected to attend all practices while on academic suspension.

<u>Attendance</u>

Student athletes at Climax Springs R-IV are expected to be students first. The most important thing to be a good student is attendance. For that purpose, student athletes will be required to maintain 90% or above attendance to participate in extracurricular activities.

<u>Games</u>

Players are expected to attend all games. If a player is absent the day of the game, the player will neither dress out nor play. If the player is late to school on game day, he/she must sign in by 11:00 A.M. in order to play that day. If the player is signing out early on game day, he/she must return to school by 2:00 P.M.

The wearing of jewelry, earrings, head coverings, etc. will be governed by MSHSAA guidelines.

For home games, athletes will report to the field/gym immediately after school. For away games, athletes need to follow the instructions from the coaches. Typically the bus will depart from the school at a predetermined time; players are required to ride the bus to the game.

Students may only ride back with their own parents or guardian after meeting with the coach prior to leaving the event. Players riding the bus back to school will be picked up from school. An arrival time back at the school will be given in advance; if a change occurs, players will contact parents.

Injury Documentation

If coaches become aware of an injury or suspect an injury, the athlete will need to provide a doctor's note in the front office and in the athletic director's office to be cleared for practice or games. The same is true for Physical Education. Athletes will not be allowed to play after an injury without a doctor's note on file with the Athletic Director and/or PE teacher.

<u>Practice</u>

Athletes are required to participate in 14 initial conditioning practices prior to the first contest, as stated in the MSHSAA rules and regulations. Coaches will issue athletes a schedule that includes all practice dates and times for the season. If an athlete misses practice, it will be up to the athlete and coach to determine next steps.

Student Drug Testing

The District takes measures to foster a safe and drug-free learning environment that supports student engagement and development. Therefore, educational programs are provided to help students cultivate healthy lifestyles and age-appropriate drug awareness. All use, sale, transfer, distribution, possession, or being under the influence of unauthorized prescription drugs, alcohol, narcotic substances, unauthorized inhalants, controlled substances, illegal drugs, or counterfeit substances on any District property, vehicles, or at District-sponsored events is strictly prohibited.

The District has adopted a Student Alcohol and Drug Testing Policy to promote the health, safety and welfare of students of the District. The purpose of this Policy and the associated procedures is to encourage students to remain drug and alcohol free and to provide support and solutions to students who use drugs and alcohol. This applies to students in extracurricular and co-curricular activities in grades 7-12 and students who wish to receive a parking permit issued by the District.

<u>Uniforms</u>

Uniforms and equipment are school property. Athletes will be financially responsible for any damages that occur while the uniforms and equipment are in their possession.

Staff and Student Communication

As is regulated by the District's Employee Manual, <u>E-185-E – Employee/Student Relations</u>, coaches and all other staff will refrain from having contact with students via any format specified or implied in the board policy.

Facility Use

To secure the use of the gymnasium, cafeteria, testing room, or conference room there are sign ups for those locations. Coaches and community alike, need to go through the athletic director and front office **at least** two weeks prior for serious consideration. Appropriate insurance coverage is required. Failure to schedule the gym and comply with the schedule will result in potentially losing access to the facility. Keep in mind that this gym is used by many groups for many events.

Emergency Information

Athlete's Name	_Age
Sports involved in	
Parent/Guardian's Name	
Home Telephone	
Address Work Phone	
Emergency Contact Home Phone	
Address Work Phone	
Relationship to Athlete	
Insurance Company Policy #	
Physician's Name Telephone	
Are you allergic to any drugs? If so, what?	
Do you have any allergies (bee stings or dust, etc.)	
Do you have	hat apply)
Do you take any medications? If so, what?	
Do you wear contacts?	
Other Health Issues	

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Date

Informed Consent Form

I hereby give my permission for	to participate in
athletics during the appropriate season for	to participate in the 2021-2022 school year. Further, I authorize f any injury or illness my child may experience if qualified medical
the school to provide emergency treatment	f any injury or illness my child may experience if qualified medical
	perform the treatment. This authorization is granted only if I cannot
be reached and a reasonable effort has been	nade to do so.
Parant or Guardian	
Parent or Guardian	
Address	Telephone
Cellular Telephone	
Other person to contact in case of emergenc	, ,
Relationship	Telephone
	s is a potentially hazardous activity. We assume all risks associated t not limited to, falls, contact with other participants, the effects of conditions associated with the sport.
We understand the informed consent form a	d agree to its conditions.
Athlete's Name Date	Date
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Athlete's Signature	
Parent/Guardian Name	Date
Parent/Guardian Signature	

ATHLETIC CODE OF CONDUCT

Good behavior and attendance are essential to a high-quality athletic program. For our student athletes, it is imperative that self-discipline and self-control be exercised at all times. Disrespectful behavior, failure to follow directions, or failure to follow school rules are not the hallmark of student athletes. Coaches will take the necessary actions to ensure all athletes exhibit exemplary behavior while in school or at school-sponsored events. When contacted by a staff member about the inappropriate behavior of an athlete, the coach may use a variety of measures to ensure proper behavior such as: verbal counseling, extra physical conditioning, a letter of apology, partial or full game suspension, or as a last resort, referral to the Athletic Council for long-term suspension or removal from the team. ISS or OSS given to any student athlete may result in suspension from one game for ISS and two games for OSS outside the suspension period.

As an Athlete for the Climax Springs R-IV School District:

- I will be respectful by using appropriate language and tone when interacting with other athletes, coaches, officials, parents, and spectators. I will not taunt, use obscene gestures, or engage in boastful celebrations that demean fellow athletes.
- I will treat all athletes, coaches, officials, parents, and spectators with dignity and respect.
- I will treat everyone fairly regardless of gender, race, ethnic origin, religion, or sexual orientation.
- I will not provide, use, or condone the use of tobacco products or alcoholic beverages.
- I will not provide, use, or condone the use of performance-enhancing or mind-altering recreational drugs.
- I will arrive and depart on time for all practices, study halls, meetings, and contests.
- I will seek to become the best athlete I can be by practicing appropriately and eating right.
- I will play by the rules of the sport, demonstrating and encouraging good sportsmanship in both victory and defeat.
- I will be honest and not lie, cheat, or steal.
- I will be respectful by not fighting or damaging the property of others.
- I will do my best to play safely so as not to injure myself or any other athlete.

- I will cooperate with medical personnel in their efforts to care for my well-being.
- I will encourage and assist my teammates in becoming better athletes and human beings.
- I will dress in the proper attire as directed by my coach before and after games.
- I will maintain at least 90% attendance or above in order to participate in sports.

Acknowledgement Form

I, ______, have read and understand the ______ 2021-2022 Climax Springs R-IV Cougar Athletic Handbook. I have read the Athlete's Character Code and I am willing to uphold this Code during the entire season, including keeping my attendance above 90%. I understand that should I violate any rule or policy as stated in the Handbook, I will abide by the consequences that come along with the violation. I understand that by signing this contract, I acknowledge my status as a Climax Springs R-IV School Cougar, and I understand and agree to abide by everything stated in the handbook. In addition, I am aware there are situations not stated in the manual regarding conduct and ethics. In these instances, I will abide by the decisions of the coaches and the Athletic Council.

Athlete's Name Date	Date	
Athlete's Signature		
Parent/Guardian Name	Date	
Parent/Guardian Signature		

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Citizenship Requirements

Student Responsibility in accordance with the Missouri State High School Activities Association (MSHSAA), each student is responsible for notifying the school of any and all situations that would affect his/her eligibility under the above standards. If the student does not notify the school of the situation prior to the school's discovery, then the student shall be ineligible for up to 365 days from discovery, pending review by the MSHSAA Board of Directors.

I hereby understand my responsibility to self-report any and all situations that would affect my eligibility to the appropriate school authority.

Athlete's Name Date

I hereby understand my athlete's responsibility to self-report any and all situations that would affect his/her eligibility to the appropriate school authority.

Parent/Guardian Name

Date

Date