Lady Bulldog Policies and Expectations



Dear Parents,

A successful athletic program cannot be judged solely on the outcome of athletic events. A good program demands excellence in all areas of the school environment. Attendance, good citizenship, passing grades, and an overall positive attitude are also extremely important.

To ensure our athletes at Bush demonstrate the exceptional qualities desired, we have established standards that are demanding and fair.

There are two reasons without exception, for which an athlete will be dismissed from a team. Senate Bill1 clearly states that all classes MUST be passed or the student must sit out for three weeks (from competition, practices are still permitted) at which time she has the opportunity to regain her eligibility. Secondly, a violation of the NEISD policy of drugs, alcohol, weapons, or hazing will result in dismissal from all Bush athletic activities for the remainder of that school year.

**The following list of behaviors may also lead to team dismissal, limited playing time, or team reassignment:**

1. **Absences from practice:** 3 unexcused absences will result in dismissal from team, excused absences will also effect playing time and potentially team reassignment.
2. **Tardies:** 3 tardies = 1 absence. If an athlete is more than 30 min. late, an absence will be recorded.
3. **Discipline Problems in the Classroom or on Campus**
4. **Theft**
5. **Lack of Effort and or Poor Attitude**

In addition to setting the highest standards for our athletes, to achieve excellence, we will need the cooperation of you the parent. Your support and enthusiasm is encouraged and needed, and exhibiting good sportsmanship helps model the behavior we are trying to instill in our athletes.

Due to the limitations of the schedule, and to ensure that students have ample opportunity to eat their evening meal and concentrate on studies, we ask that all students be picked up at the lower (gym) parking lot no later than 15 minutes after practice ends. Practice will end at 5:15; therefore, we request that all athletes be picked up no later than 5:30 (please).

**Important Reminders:**

1. Pick up time is no later than 5:30pm

2. Absences will cause playing time to be effected or potentially team reassignment.

3. **If a student is well enough to be at school, they are expected to be in attendance at practice (even if it is just to sit out and observe)**

4. A calendar is issued at the beginning of each season. THERE ARE NO EXCUSES FOR TARDIES OR MISSED PRACTICES other than school absences due to illness or family emergencies.

5. If your daughter is involved in multiple school activities, it is her responsibility to communicate with her coach.

6. Each athlete is responsible for locking up her belongings during practice. Coaches will not be held responsible for any loses.

7. No jewelry may be worn during practices or games.

8. P.E. or athletic uniforms are REQUIRED during practice.

Our hope is that all Bush athletes and fans understand the necessity of the highest standards of excellence. Your support in those areas is critical to our success. **If you should have any questions or concerns, please contact Coach Weber (210) 356-2932 or email: kweber@neisd.net**