

Mountain Ridge Middle School- 7th Grade Basketball

Dear Parents,

Thank you for allowing us to work with your student during this current athletic season. It is our hope and desire for this to be enjoyable and a growing experience for each student athlete. In this letter you will find guidelines and policies for the season.

Philosophy

Display Sportsmanship

- *On and off the court
- *Character building

Develop Individual & Team Skills

- *Showing mental, emotional, & physical growth
- *Working as a cohesive unit

Develop Strong Work Ethic

- *Working hard for the good of the team
- *Sustainability for life

Make Great Experiences Enjoyable

- *Compete to succeed
- *Joy comes from accomplishments

“Success comes from knowing that you did your best to become the best that you are capable of becoming”

- John Wooden

Eligibility

According to the Mountain Ridge Middle School guidelines:

School Attendance

1. Students must be in school by 11:15 in order to participate in any athletic/activity program unless they have an excused absence. If there are any questions please contact the Athletic Secretary at 303-387-1812.

Eligibility

1. Each week teachers pull a grade report for all students participating in athletics or activities. Students must keep their Work Habits grades at C or above. Lower grades deem the player ineligible.
2. If a student has a Work Habits grade that is lower than a C, then coaches will discuss this grade with the student and develop a plan for improving the grade. The student may miss the opportunity to compete in practice or game if the grade is not improved.
3. Unexcused absence from practice/school may deem the player ineligible.

Practice

Consistent participation in practice is essential to the development of all players on the team. Players will be expected to attend all practices. Absences will affect playing time. We practice from 3:00 to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday. Ongoing unexcused absence is grounds for dismissal from the sport.

Games

On away games, parents should ensure their child has a ride home after the game.

The person responsible for player rides at away games must sign out each player on the coaches sign out sheet. Transportation is not provided by the district to the games.

Transportation to and from games

DCSD does not provide transportation to any games.

Parents may 1) drive their student to a game, 2) drive their student plus other players (with Driver Authorization Form on file with Athletic Secretary), or 3) allow their student to ride with another parent who has filled out the proper forms.

For away games, students must arrange a ride home with a parent or another student's parent. They must be signed out for away games, but not for home games.

Playing time

A/B Levels

All eligible players will participate in every game but may not receive an equal amount of playing time. Playing time is determined by the coach based on several factors including: ability, practice, participation, effort, and attitude of the player.

C Level

Playing time is equal, as long as player is consistently attending practice.

Parents

Parents are encouraged to support their child and our team throughout the season. We ask that parents be positive models for their kids by cheering for them and their team and not against another team or the officials. Good sportsmanship is an expectation we have of every parent and child at Mountain Ridge Middle School and in the Douglas County School District.

If your son does not walk home we ask that you pick them up within 15 minutes after the conclusion of his practice/game.

MRMS Student pick up Policy

Please be here, no later than 4:45pm, to pick up your son. Thank you.

1st time parent is late: Coach will talk with the parent or guardian to inform the parent again what the policy is.

2nd time a parent is late: A letter documenting this will be sent home to the parent.

3rd time a parent is late: A meeting with the athletic director, and an administrator will take place to discuss a plan or termination of the student's participation in the activity/sport.

Remember, the coaches have obligations and families to attend to. Please ensure your student is picked up on time.

Players

Players are expected to:

Have a good attitude.

Attend all practices and games. Attendance will be taken.

Maintain an acceptable grade level to maintain eligibility.

Exhibit the highest standard of sportsmanship.

Play to their best ability.

Player Evaluation and Placement

Students will be placed on teams based on ability in order to distribute the talent equally.

You may talk to the coaches about your son's placement. If you have questions about your son or daughter's ability or participation, please call us so that we can keep open and positive communication going. Thank You!

Sincerely,
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