

# JOHN OLIVER SECONDARY SCHOOL

## ATHLETIC CODE

As a member of the John Oliver Athletic Program, each student should be aware of the school's Athletic Code and the objectives of the program. The Athletic Code is designed to be the general principles governing the athletic program, and all members are required to uphold its provisions.

**Violations of these provisions may result in disciplinary action and a formal hearing with the school's Athletic Board; consequences may include suspension from the program, loss of eligibility, and/or revoking of program privileges and awards, and forwarding the matter to the school's administration.**

*Although conventional initiation of disciplinary action occurs at the coach/sponsor level it is not exclusively, and can be initiated by the J.O. Athletic Board and/or the J.O. Administration if necessary.*

### 1. **Responsibility – Each student-athlete is expected to demonstrate responsibility.**

A. Team members are expected to **attend all practices, games and team functions**, unless there is a valid reason for being absent. The coach/sponsor must be notified prior to the game/practice with as much advance notice as possible.

B. **Withdrawal** from a team must be with the **approval** of the coach/sponsor and/or the Athletic Director; withdrawal after team membership is declared without this approval is deemed unfair to the team as well as other potential student-athletes whose membership was dependent on the full commitment of the withdrawing student; this is viewed as an extremely serious violation of commitment under the JO Athletic Code.

C. Every team member is expected to maintain positive **academic standards and attendance** to the best of his/her ability. This includes issues of academic honesty and integrity as well as efforts in class. In order for a student to participate in a game, s/he must be in **attendance in that day's classes** without any unexcused absences that day.

D. **Athletic fees** for the season in which the sport is played must be paid **before students may participate on a team and issued uniforms**. Financial assistance may be applied for on an individual basis.  
*Failure to pay fees or return uniforms/equipment will result in full replacement costs charged to the student, possible suspension from further participation in the athletic program and administrative involvement.*

### 2. **Citizenship – Student-athletes are expected to practice positive citizenship.**

A. As a representative of the athletic program and the school, each member is expected to maintain **positive standards of behaviour and conduct** in and outside of school; student participation in extracurriculars such as high school athletics is representative and therefore an extension of the school itself. Please note that in addition to physical behavior, this also applies to **digital/on-line conduct**. Inappropriate conduct includes stating or posting belittling, derogatory and/or malicious comments, harassment, vandalism, and violence. Additionally, anything encouraging the violation of any J.O. Athletics, School, VSB and/or legal rules and regulations may also be subject to reprimand.

B. **Proper attendance** in **curricular** as well as **extra-curricular commitments** is expected; it is strongly encouraged to be involved but with an appropriate balance so that commitments are able to be met for all and not compromised one for another.

C. **Vancouver & District rules** (alcohol, tobacco, and drugs may not be used while traveling to, during, or returning from a match or practice) *must* be abided.

### 3. **Sportsmanship – Student-athletes are expected to practice good sportsmanship.**

A. All members are expected to show the proper respect and courtesy to all coaches, sponsors, teammates, opponents, officials and spectators.  
*Violations will/should be addressed initially but not exclusively by the coach/sponsor; further action by the J.O. Athletic Board and J.O. Administration may be taken if necessary.*

**JOHN OLIVER SECONDARY SCHOOL  
ATHLETIC COMMITMENT & CONSENT**

(REV. 09/18)

In order that John Oliver Secondary fulfills its obligations to the Vancouver Secondary Schools Athletic Association and BC School Sports, it is necessary that students competing for a school team commit themselves to **attend all practices, team functions, and games for that team**, unless:

- a) They are absent from school for a valid reason;
- b) By mutual agreement of the coach/sponsor and student, the student athlete is released from the commitment.

Students and parents/guardians should understand that the school's athletic program exists in order to provide students with the opportunity to develop both their knowledge and their level of skill in an activity through athletic competition and preparation for that competition with other secondary schools. Participation in the school's athletic program is considered a **privilege**, with responsibilities and expectations that must be met in order for that privilege to be enjoyed. These activities require a **student athletic fee** to be paid in order to meet some of the costs associated with the activities provided; financial assistance can be applied for through the school's athletic board. It should also be understood that the athletic program is predicated on the volunteerism of staff members, community coaches, and student officials, all giving freely of their time and energies, and **proper respect and conduct must be shown by all participants – whether as athletes or as spectators (student as well as adult)** – in order for this to be possible.

Students and parents/guardians must review and understand **John Oliver's Athletic Code** (see separate form). Failure to abide by this code may result in the intervention of the school's Athletic Board, ineligibility for and/or revoking of school awards, and possible suspension from extra-curricular activities associated with school athletics, as well as further measures from the school administration.

**In order for students to participate in John Oliver's Athletic Program, both the student and the parent/guardian must complete the following portion below and return it along with the requisite athletic fee (or financial assistance application form) and the J.O. Athletics Medical Form to the team sponsor/coach responsible for that team/activity prior to any formal participation.**

Both the student and the parent/guardian should clearly understand the **commitment** to practice and game schedules before signing and returning this form, since by doing so will constitute agreement to abide by the principles and regulations of the school's athletic code and policies.

  
Mr. Damian Wilmann, Principal

  
Mr. Pat Lee, Athletic Director

**By signing below**, I give consent that (name of student) \_\_\_\_\_ participate in the John Oliver Athletic Program as a member of the (name of team) \_\_\_\_\_.

I have read the above information and the **J.O. Athletic Code**, and **I understand and agree to the commitments involved**. I also understand and accept that there are inherent risks involved in this particular sport/activity, and that there may be times when the student is not under direct supervision of Vancouver School Board/School sanctioned personnel, but the student is expected to abide by all the rules and regulations governing participation in this sport/activity, traveling to, competing in, and returning from a competition, practice or team function. By signing below, I believe my son/daughter, named above, to be physically fit to take part in this Interschool activity, and I give permission for him/her to do so, as well as to release the student's information to BC School Sports on-line and VSSAA registration purposes.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian's Signature & Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature & Date

(One parent may "witness" the signature of the other)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness' Signature & Date

JOHN OLIVER SECONDARY SCHOOL  
**STUDENT-ATHLETE MEDICAL FORM**

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All information must be completed; a separate form is required for each sport. Eligibility to participate may be withheld if information is incomplete or not submitted.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B. (d/m/y): \_\_\_\_\_ GENDER: \_\_\_\_\_

TEAM: \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE: \_\_\_\_ STUDENT#: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

MEDICAL INSURANCE NO.: (BC Care Card) \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: (If different from above) \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: (If different from above) home \_\_\_\_\_ cell \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON IF PARENT UNAVAILABLE: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON'S PHONE NUMBER: home \_\_\_\_\_ cell \_\_\_\_\_

PHYSICIAN'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

**RECORD OF ILLNESS:** Indicate those which have occurred at any time, state any illness/injury of past 5 years:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(Check if student has:) ASTHMA \_\_\_\_\_ DIABETES \_\_\_\_\_ HEART CONDITION \_\_\_\_\_

**PAST OR CHRONIC INJURIES** (describe): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

OTHER CONDITIONS OR SURGERY: \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK IF YOU SUFFER FROM ANY OF THE FOLLOWING: \_\_\_\_\_ ALLERGIES(to: \_\_\_\_\_)

RECURRING HEADACHES \_\_\_\_\_ SEIZURES \_\_\_\_\_ BLACKOUTS \_\_\_\_\_ CHEST PAIN \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU REQUIRE CORRECTIVE LENSES? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ /GLASSES\* \_\_\_\_\_ CONTACTS \_\_\_\_\_

*\*it is strongly recommended that straps be worn with glasses during the sport activity*

IMMUNIZATION YEAR OF LAST TETANUS SHOT: \_\_\_\_\_

LIST ANY **MEDICATIONS** TAKEN REGULARLY(along with reason): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

DATE FORM COMPLETED: \_\_\_\_\_