

St. Paul the Apostle School
Athletic Manual

Mission Statement

The Packer Organization supports and helps organize the sports programs within St. Paul the Apostle School. The organization promotes a greater sense of community and Christian values.

Statement of Policy

The focus of the organization is to support participation, sportsmanship and development of all student-athletes.

PreKindergarten through Grade 4

The Packer Organization will encourage the participation of sports through the YMCA, SVAA, and RSI AND RSA. We will follow the guidelines set by those organizations.

Grade 5 through Grade 8

We encourage participation in and support the Dallas Parochial league (DPL) in all boys and girls sports for grades 5 through 8. We follow all policy set by the DPL.

Player Eligibility

In grades 5-8, a player becomes ineligible for game participation if the student has an average grade in all classes less than a C or an F in any one class. The ineligibility goes into effect day the reports are given. The students will remain ineligible for a minimum of two weeks. Once a student-athlete has served the suspension period and has elevated his/her grades to satisfactory level(and obtained documentation of such from all teachers), he/she may be reinstated by the A.D. During the ineligibility the player is still required to participate in practices and is required to attend games but can not dress or play in any game.

Fees:

The Dallas Parochial League charges Saint Paul to participate in Athletics. The fee covers the cost of referees, DPL Athletic Directors salary, Secretary, awards and office space. We set our fees based on these things and the numbers of athletes we have participate in each sport.

Fundraisers:

The only fundraisers are concessions, tournaments and camps. We require that each parent volunteers to help at least one event. These fundraisers help us keep the fees for sports more affordable.

Sportsmanship

Poor sportsmanship from players, coaches or parents will not be tolerated. Any player, coach or parent asked to leave a game for unsportsmanlike behavior will serve at least a one game suspension. Players, coaches or parents will be on probation for the remainder of the season. Players, coaches or parents who repeat unsportsmanlike conduct will not be allowed to participate in Athletics.

Player Commitment

All players who sign up for Saint Paul Athletics is expected to attend every practice and game.

Parent Contract

Parents must sign manual agreeing to follow the rules set by the Saint Paul Athletic Department and Dallas Parochial League.

Players Contract

Players must sign manual agreeing to follow the rules set by the Saint Paul Athletic Department and Dallas Parochial League.

Coaches Contract

Coaches must sign manual agreeing to follow the rules set by the Saint Paul Athletic Department and Dallas Parochial League.

Health and Safety

These are things coaches, parents and athletes are responsible for:

1. All athletes are required to have a physical exam each year.
2. A medical release form and insurance information is required.
3. Water will be available at all times, and should be readily accessible.
4. It is the coach's responsibility to make certain the medical kits are available and stocked.
5. Under no circumstances should a student be allowed access to medical kit or should be allowed to administer first aid to himself or another player.
6. All coaches should contact Parents, Athletic Director and Principal when an injury occurs.
7. Each coach must make sure safety equipment is properly fitted.
8. Parents make sure athlete is dressed properly for practice and game.

Team and Coach Selection Process

The selection of the teams depends on the number of students that sign up. The DPL offers three different leagues in most cases. The leagues are Division 1-3. The 5th grade teams are split evenly by the A.D. The 6th grade team may be split evenly if they are not ready for Division I. The A.D. and Packer Organization will determine if a tryout is necessary.

Coaching Guidelines

Coach must be approved by the Athletic Director and Packer Association.
Coach must complete all background check requirements and safe environment training.
Coach must follow rules set by school and Dallas Parochial League.

Coaching Qualifications

To qualify for selection as a coach, the applicant must:

1. have knowledge to the sport he/she wants to coach
2. first aid and CPR training

Termination Procedure

Athletic Director with the approval of the Principal, has the authority to release any coach, even during the season for an act or acts which are deemed contrary to the spirit and letter of fair, honorable and legal competition or which in any way tends to bring the team, the school, or the community into disrepute.

Athletic Department Expectations of a Coach

Supervises: All athletes under their responsibilities is follow the rules and guidelines set by the DPL and School.

Goal: to instruct students in the skills and strategies necessary to be successful in the sport. To make sure that the program is within the scope of the philosophy and policies developed by the DPL and Saint Paul Athletics.

Please read and sign below:

I have read the Athletic Manual and I agree to abide all rules set by the Athletic Department. Please sign in appropriate blank

Athlete sign: _____

Athlete print: _____

Parent sign: _____

Parent print: _____

Coach sign: _____

Coach print: _____