

Archer High School Baseball Behavior Contract

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The following must be read and signed by both the player and a parent or guardian in order to participate in the baseball program here at Archer High School.

It is very important for each person who reads this document to understand that the coaching staff at Archer High School bases its decisions concerning the baseball program in the following order:

1. What is best for Archer High School.
2. What is best for the baseball program.
3. What is best for the individual player or players.

1. The coaching staff will treat each player with the utmost respect, and the players will always show respect to the coaching staff. Disrespectful behavior **will not** be tolerated.
2. You are expected to be in attendance and on time for every meeting, practice and contest held during the season. Unexcused absences and tardiness will not be tolerated. Only those reasons for excused absences from school are permitted: illness, death in family, etc. Any other absence must be pre-approved by the coaching staff. If you check out of school during the day, make sure you tell a coach. If you are sick on a Saturday, call 404-372-1346 and leave a message before time to arrive.

Unexcused Tardies

5 minutes late or less	1 shuttle (A timed 300 yard sprint!)
5-10 minutes late	2 shuttles
10-15 minutes late	3 shuttles
Over 15 minutes late	5 shuttles
Over 30 minutes late	8 shuttles

If these consequences are not effective at correcting your behavior, they will become cumulative. For example, if you are five minutes late to practice every day, your consequences will get tougher and tougher and may include suspension or dismissal.

Unexcused Absences

1 st Unexcused Absence/Over 30 minutes late	8 shuttles/Will not start a game
2 nd Unexcused Absence/Over 30 minutes late	8 shuttles/Will not play in a game
3 rd Unexcused Absence/Over 30 minutes late	8 shuttles/Will not play in two games OR dismissal from the team

3. WE WILL BE HAVING PRACTICE AND/OR GAMES OVER SPRING BREAK. Make sure that you will be at all practices, games, and meetings over the break.
4. Players are not allowed to use inappropriate language. If we hear you using such language, punishments could include running or being taken out of the game. First offense—4 shuttles. Second offense—8 shuttles. Third offense—12 shuttles and possible suspension or dismissal from team.

5. All players will wear their uniforms correctly. Pants will be pulled up to the waist. Your shirt will be tucked in at all times. All bangs should be tucked under your hat.
6. We do not throw helmets or bats in anger/disgust during batting practice or games.
7. No player will argue with an umpire at any time. If the coaching staff feels like an umpire has made a mistake, we will have a conversation with them, NOT YOU.
8. No earrings or any other body piercings are allowed on the baseball field at any time.
9. The coaching staff reserves the right to tell you if your hair is too long. In which case, you will need to get it cut. Failure to do so will result in loss of playing time.
10. Facial hair must be neatly trimmed.
11. We will **hustle** on the field at all times. This includes running to your position each inning, running into the dugout at the end of each inning, running back to the dugout after a strikeout, and running back to the dugout after you make an out. Hustle will get you a long way. You never know who is watching.
12. An attempt will be made to wear coordinating practice attire on a daily basis. If you fail to wear the proper attire at practice, you will receive consequences. The consequences will be cumulative. For example, the first time your practice attire doesn't match the rest of the team's, you will run 2 shuttles. For your second dress offense—4 shuttles. Third offense—6 shuttles.
13. Stay out of trouble. You represent the entire baseball program. When you get into trouble, it makes the entire program look bad. Don't make your teammates look bad. If you are in ISS or OSS, you cannot participate until that suspension is complete AND you will run!!!

ISS	8 shuttles per day
OSS	10 shuttles per day
Teacher/Administrative Detention	3 shuttles (if player tells coaching staff) 6 shuttles (if player doesn't tell the coaching staff)

These consequences will also be cumulative. However, if you are constantly in ISS or OSS, you won't be on the team for long.

14. No eating in the dugouts. The **only** exception is sunflower seeds and peanuts.
15. All players will be assigned a duty to perform after each game. Failure to perform your duty will result in consequences.
16. Parents are not allowed in the dugout. This could create an unnecessary distraction.
17. Players are not allowed to leave the dugout during the game. Players are not allowed to talk to anyone during a game that is not a member of our team or coaching staff. This includes parents, students, girlfriends, cousins, etc.
18. Personal Websites such as myspace.com, xanga.com and facebook.com can be viewed by anyone in the general public, and therefore can contain information that could be an embarrassment to the school and/or program. Any information (text, pictures, videos and audio files) posted by a member of the team on these websites, or websites like them, that is considered detrimental to the school or baseball program by the baseball coaching staff is prohibited. Additionally, the coaching staff reserves the right to implement consequences for violations on these websites.

19. REMEMBER!!! You are representing Archer High School, the baseball program, coaches, and teammates in all that you do in and out of school. Don't do anything that could embarrass you or your teammates. If you do something that the coaching staff feels is an embarrassment to the program, we reserve the right to punish you as we see fit, which may include running, suspension, or dismissal from the team.

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I understand the above rules and regulations and also understand that I could be disciplined or removed from the team for rules violations.

Player Signature: _____

Date _____

Parent/Gaurdian Signature: _____

Date _____