

2008 Football Parent Information Sheet

Academic eligibility—all players are required to have a 2.0 cumulative grade point average to be eligible based on their g.p.a. at the end of each semester. All incoming 9th graders are eligible first semester. After the first semester these rules apply to them.

Tutoring and make up tests—if a student occasionally needs to go to tutoring I will allow them to go. IF they need to go every week then arrangements should be made to get them help after practice. If a student has been absent and needs to make up a test this is usually done best on game day's right after school. Most teachers are very accommodating in this regard. However, if there is only one time they will give the test then the player will be excused. I should have an e-mail from the teacher that the student was in their room for tutoring or making up a test.

Absences or Late—missing practice or being late to practice is highly discouraged. One absence can affect everything that is being done at practice that day and the opportunity for the team to play well. If a player is going to be absent from practice you should call my office phone at 850-833-4263 and speak to me or leave a message as to the reason why. If a freshman player is going to be absent, you should call Coach Rahmes at 850-833-4114 Ext. 3260 or call his cell phone at 420-2754. All absences will result in make up work at the next practice. If a player is late, make up work will be given the day he is late. The amount of make up work will depend on the reason for missing practice or why he was late. A pattern of unexcused absences can result in dismissal from the team.

Injuries—Players that are injured will not lose their position because of that injury or inability to practice. Once the player has recovered and is released by the doctor, the injury may still prevent the player from playing right away or to the same extent he was playing before the injury if conditioning has become an issue. Players who are injured are required to be at practice unless they receive permission from the head coach to miss. Our trainer is Andrea Lynch. **Her phone number is 850-218-0210.** She is very knowledgeable and will be glad to answer your questions. Also, please encourage your child to notify Coach Perry and Andrea if they even think they have an injury. We do not see injuries as a weakness and take them very seriously. The quicker we can treat the injury the better off everyone will be. If a serious injury takes place at practice Andrea will take care of it and will notify you as quickly as possible.

Fundraisers—The Niceville Football program has three fundraisers that players and parents are expected to participate in. The first is MEET AN EAGLE, second is GOLD CARDS, and third is family memberships to the TOUCHDOWN CLUB. We use this money for things that directly

impact the players. It is important for our program that we do these fundraisers because more and more we are expected to pay for everything out of football monies.

Out of Town Trips—if a player is not returning on the bus with the team I will need a written note from the parent handed to me by the parent that he is riding with. If a player is riding home with another parent other than his own I must have this in writing **before we leave for the game.**

For any questions about your son's role on the football team he should go to his position coach first. If he is still unclear or has any questions I will be glad to meet with him. I will not meet with any parent until this has taken place. Please do not ask another assistant coach about your son if he does not coach him. Do not send me e-mails about your son's role or make negative remarks about another player.

Please be a proud supportive parent.

Important phone numbers

Coach Hicks office 833-4263

Coach Hicks fax 833-4264

Athletic Secretary 833-4114 ext. 1362

Trainer –Andrea Lynch 218-0210