



CONTRACT OF HOME SCHOOL ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION

This is a contract for the **entire athletic season(s)** by and between Southwest Florida Christian Academy (the "School"), and me/us, the undersigned parent(s), legal guardian(s), or party(ies) financially responsible for the Student named in this contract.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- In consideration of the School's acceptance of this Homeschool-Athletic agreement, I/we agree to accept and support the policies of the School and to pay when due the required charges and fees as indicated herein. The School agrees to make season long financial commitments to coaches, vendors and others on behalf of the Student-Athlete.
- I/We have carefully examined the doctrinal basis, philosophy and Christian purpose of Southwest Florida Christian Academy and desire that Southwest Florida Christian Academy, in cooperation with me/us, seek to provide the Student-Athlete with a total spiritual emphasis throughout the Athletic Season.
- I/We agree to the following policy: Registration fee of \$500.00 to be paid before student may begin participation in athletics. \$200.00 will be assessed per sport participated in during the school year.
- The administrators of the School and coaches serving under them shall have full discretion in the administering of appropriate discipline of the Student-Athlete. The School reserves the right to adopt rules and regulations from time to time and all Student-Athletes enrolled shall comply fully with the rules and regulations then in force as stated or amended. I/We understand that it is required that all parents/guardians be familiar with the Athletic Handbook and abide by the terms, provisions, obligations and requirements thereof.
- The School believes that a positive and constructive working relationship between Southwest Florida Christian Academy and each Student-Athlete's parent/guardian is essential to the accomplishment of the School's educational mission. Accordingly, the School reserves the right to terminate or not renew the Student-Athlete's Contract of participation if the School reasonably concludes that actions of a parent/guardian make such a positive and constructive relationship impossible or otherwise seriously interfere with the School's accomplishment of its educational and athletic purposes.
- I/We agree to cooperate with school administration in seeing that the Student-Athlete regularly attends and is punctual to chapel each week during the sport season and has transportation available from the School premises at the end of chapel.
- I/We are responsible for all FHSAA paperwork and obligated to complete the Student-Athlete's steps for eligibility.
- This Contract is subject to the Student-Athlete remaining in good standing both behaviorally and academically.

DEFINITION OF A HOMESCHOOL STUDENT

A homeschool student is defined as a student not educated in a traditional school or classroom.

Effective 2017-18 School Year:

Students enrolled in a collegiate dual enrollment/early admission program are not eligible to participate in SFCA's homeschool athletic program. Existing families partnering with SFCA prior to the 2017-18 school year may be grand-fathered .

MISSION STATEMENT

As a ministry of McGregor Baptist Church, Southwest Florida Christian Academy will partner with Christian parents in providing their children with a distinctively biblical and academically excellent education that will equip students to be godly leaders and to successfully engage the culture for Christ.

CORE VALUES

In order to fulfill its mission, SFCA will honor the following core values:

The Bible	The Christian Family
Quality, Bible-based Education	The Church
Qualified, Christian Staff	Stewardship
Discipleship of Students	

OPERATING PRINCIPLES

SFCA's daily operation will be guided by the following operating principles in an effort to fulfill its mission in accordance with its core values:

Core Value #1 – The Bible (2 Timothy 3:15-17)

The Bible is the inspired, inerrant and infallible Word of God that is the authority for all that is done at SFCA.

Core Value #2 – The Christian Family (Ephesians 5; Genesis 1)

The Christian family is the foundational unit for society that is based on the biblical pattern for marriage and family in accordance with God's will.

Core Value #3 – Quality, Bible-based Education (Proverbs 9:10)

A quality education encompasses the total educational program based upon the foundation that all knowledge and wisdom are from God.

Core Value #4 – The Church (1 Corinthians 12:12-14; Ephesians 4:12-13)

The church is the body of believers whose purpose is to fulfill the Great Commission.

Core Value #5 – Qualified, Christian Staff (Luke 6:40; 1 Timothy 3:1)

A qualified, Christian staff is comprised of born again Christians who have a calling to Christian education and the training necessary to fulfill their responsibilities.

Core Value #6 – Stewardship (James 1:17)

Stewardship is the awareness that everything one has belongs to God and must be effectively managed for His glory.

Core Value #7 – Discipleship of Students (John 8:31; 1 John 2:6)

Discipleship is demonstrated by a commitment to a consistent application of the Word of God to all of life.

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT AND AGREEMENT OF CONDUCT:

Southwest Florida Christian Academy is a Christian school that is a ministry of McGregor Baptist Church. It is the School's desire that every student reflects a lifestyle pleasing to Jesus Christ. Because of this, who the Student-Athlete is and what the Student-Athlete does, both on and off campus, is extremely important. Since the testimony of our lives is so important, I/we and the Student-Athlete have read and agree to the following section which pertains to Student-Athlete's conduct both on and off campus, during and after school and at all SFCA sponsored activities.

- a. Student-Athlete agrees to strive for excellence in all that he/she says and does.
- b. Student-Athlete agrees to obey the Bible in speech and conduct.
- c. Student-Athlete agrees to respect and cooperate with those in authority at the School.
- d. Student-Athlete agrees to abstain from alcohol, drugs and tobacco.
- e. Student-Athlete agrees to abstain from cursing, gossip, bullying, dissension and cheating.
- f. Student-Athlete agrees to maintain sexual purity and abstain from sexual immorality.
- g. Student-Athlete agrees to the dress code that has been set by the School.
- h. Student-Athlete agrees to submit to the discipline policy of the School.
- i. Student-Athlete understands that once he/she partners with the School, he/she is a part of the School family wherever he/she is. Therefore, Student-Athlete agrees to abstain from behavior, both on and off campus, which would dishonor Jesus Christ, the School, the church, his/her family and himself/herself.
- j. Student-Athlete understands that the School can hold himself/herself accountable for any negative behavior, both on and off the campus, at any time during the year.

- k. Student-Athlete understands that if any time the administration has reasonable suspicion that a student-athlete is using drugs or alcohol, the School has the right to require a drug test at the parent's expense. Failure of parents to obtain an immediate drug or alcohol test, or for the student-athlete to fail to pass such test, requires the withdrawal or dismissal of the Student-athlete from participation with the school.

Since the School's inception, the School has had Students sign the Student Agreement of Conduct when entering the Middle School. The School's Code of Conduct requires students to honor these standards on and off campus, which upholds our highest commitment to Biblical principles. Character and moral absolutes do not stop when the School's students are dismissed at the end of practice or event. Twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, everyone is challenged to honor Christ. The School has been, and always will be, concerned about the behavior of students both on and off campus. In no way does the School want to usurp the parental authority or create a legalistic atmosphere; the School simply wants to be a school that unapologetically advances biblical principles, moral absolutes and personal commitment to our Savior and Lord. If the School's parents/guardians and/or Student-Athlete does not agree and cannot support these standards, then the parents/guardians and Student-Athlete may want to reconsider whether the School is right for their family. Of course, the school realizes that there will be differences of opinion on certain issues, but the School does desire support as we continue to focus on advancing a genuine Christ-honoring school. The School is grateful to partner with parents/guardians as the School continues to advance an educational training center based on Christian principles.

PARENTS/GUARDIANS STATEMENT OF SUPPORT:

- I/We have received and read the Core Values of the School and are willing to have the Student-Athlete mentored and coached in accordance with them.
- I/We will regularly and earnestly pray for Southwest Florida Christian Academy.
- I/We will worship the Lord regularly at a Bible-believing church.
- I/We will fully cooperate in the activities of Southwest Florida Christian Academy by doing my/our best to make Christian education effective in the life of the Student.
- I/We will require the Student-Athlete to support the spiritual activities of the School (Chapel, Bible classes, Scripture memory, etc.)
- I/We agree to provide a home environment that does not conflict with the biblical understanding of sexuality. I/We support the principle and practice of purity in singleness and fidelity in marriage, which is the union of one man and one woman.
- Specifically, our home will affirm the biblical teaching that sexual conduct outside the sanctity of marriage, including both hetero and homosexuality, is a sin, a turning away from God's ideal as outlined in Scripture.
- I/We will pay all of our financial obligations to Southwest Florida Christian Academy on or before the due date. If I/we are ever unable to do so, I/we will notify the Athletic Department, giving a reasonable explanation for the delay and stating when payment will be made.
- I/We understand that the School has full discretion in the discipline of the Student-Athlete in accordance with the discipline policy as published.
- I/We understand that the School reserves the right to dismiss the Student-Athlete when either the parents/guardians or the Student-Athlete does not cooperate with the policies of the School.
- I/We will do our best to volunteer for duties and responsibilities of Southwest Florida Christian Academy as opportunities arise and God provides the time and strength.
- If I/we become dissatisfied with Southwest Florida Christian Academy in any way, I/we will strive to resolve the matter with the person(s) involved as privately and lovingly as possible, rather than spreading criticism and negativity. (Matthew 18:15-17; 5:23-24)
- I/We will seek to support and advance Southwest Florida Christian Academy in every area possible- spiritually, athletically, academically, physically and financially.

The School covenants to provide the best it can for the Student-Athlete in the way of athletic participation. The School further pledges to do all possible to support your home in growing every student-athlete in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. As the legal parents or guardians of the Student-Athlete, I/we covenant to support the School in its efforts. I/We agree that it is my/our responsibility to strive diligently toward the observance of the "Parent/Guardian Statement of Support" as God enables me/us by the power of the Holy Spirit. If for some reason I/we become dissatisfied, I/we promise to handle the matter as privately and lovingly as possible. If support or resolution cannot be reached, I/we recognize it is my/our responsibility to leave the School and seek a school in alignment with our personal convictions. Together, as a school and as parents/guardians, I/we pledge to submit our lives to one another and the final authority of the Word of God.

As it is imperative that the School know the backgrounds of parents/guardians who volunteer to work with our students, I/we understand and agree that the School shall have the right to perform a background check review on me/us at any time.

STUDENT-ATHLETE/PARENT/GUARDIAN PHOTOGRAPHY CONSENT:

I/We and/or Student-Athlete hereby authorize the School and their legal representatives and assigns (herein collectively referred to as SFCA within this Section), the irrevocable and unrestricted right to use and publish video or photographs of me/us or the Student-Athlete to which I/we am/are the legal guardian, which may be included in any editorial, trade, advertising or other medium at the sole discretion of SFCA without restrictions. I/We and/or the Student-Athlete understands that publication may be accomplished electronically via the Internet, and that after publication, SFCA will not be able to prevent persons from gaining access to the Internet, copying my/their photographs and videos, and subsequently using, altering, or republishing it without my/our consent. I/We and/or the Student-Athlete hereby release SFCA from any and all liability, claims, causes of action, arising out of, or created by, the use of my/our and/or Student-Athlete's video/photographs relating to said video/photographs. This Consent and Waiver will continue in full force and effect until terminated in writing from you to SFCA.

Student's Name (Please print) _____

Student's Grade (2018-19) _____

FEES:

Registration Fee: \$500.00

First Sport Fee: \$200.00

Each Additional Sport: \$200.00

The only additional cost to the family will be the cost of the individual sport's player pack

I/We have read the terms of this Agreement and our signatures below indicate my/our acceptance of the policies of the School and the financial terms and conditions set forth herein. **Both parents/guardians, if applicable, and Student-Athlete signatures are required.**

IN AGREEMENT WHEREOF, the parties hereto have signed this Contract of Enrollment on the _____ day of _____, 2018.

Father/Guardian

Mother/Guardian

Student