### CONTACT INFORMATION FOR ATHLETIC/ACTIVITIES OFFICE

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### **COMMUNICATION CHAIN**

- Student athlete discusses the concern with the coach.
- If issue is unresolved after student athlete/coach discussion, the concern is discussed with student athlete, coach, and parent.
- If issue is still unresolved, parent and student athlete discuss concern with athletic director.
- If you are having trouble reaching the coach, contact the Athletic Office and an appointment will be set up.
- We ask that parents/guardians do not approach coaches with concerns 24 hours before or after a competition, as these can be emotional times for parents/guardians and coaches.

#### **COMMUNICATION ISSUES**

Appropriate topics to discuss with the coach:

- Any safety concerns
- The mental or physical treatment of a student athlete
- Ways to help student athlete improve
- Concern about student athlete's behavior

### Inappropriate topics to discuss with the coach:

- Playing time
- Team strategy
- Play calling
- Discussions about other student athletes
- Speaking for other adults

## **GUIDELINES FOR EACH LEVEL OF PLAY**

## Freshman/Sophomore Team

- Coaches are encouraged to play all student athletes on the team.
- This level is considered a preparatory level within the program.
- The focus of this level is the development of fundamentals and learning the game.

# Varsity Reserve Team

- Although no one is guaranteed playing time at this level, an effort will be made by the coaches to provide every player with a chance to compete in every game.
- The student athletes at this level are being prepared for the Varsity level.
- The coach will continue to refine fundamentals while increasing the intensity level and mentally and physically challenging the student athlete.

### Varsity Team

- Best student athletes play regardless of grade level.
- Emphasis is on winning games and developing the student athletes as a whole.
- No one is guaranteed playing time at this level.

## **ROLES IN THE PROGRAM**

There are four roles in the sports program. In order for our teams to have the greatest opportunity for success, these roles must not be confused.

- Student Athlete
- Parent
- Coach
- Official

## STUDENT ATHLETE ROLES OF THE TEAM

The student athlete's coach is expected to be honest with your child and define the student athlete's role on the team. It should be remembered that these roles might change due to injury, attitude, and improvement in athletic ability. The athlete controls his/her position on the team.

A student athlete can be a:

- potential starter
- developmental player
- valued reserve

### **GUIDELINES REGARDING TRANSPORTATION**

All student athletes will travel to and from away contests on buses or other school approved transportation. Parents are allowed to transport only their child home from away games as long as there has been communication with the student athlete's coach and the athletic director.