



ATHLETIC HANDBOOK

*Developing Christian Character,
Pursuing Athletic Excellence*



Mission Statement

Charlotte Christian School is a Christ-centered, college preparatory school, equipping and developing students to effectively integrate Biblical truth and learning into their daily lives and to impact the culture for Christ.

7301 Sardis Road
Charlotte, NC 28270
(704) 366-5657
www.charlottechristian.com

FOREWORD

It should be carefully noted that the policies and procedures detailed in this handbook reflect official action by the Charlotte Christian School Board of Trustees and Administration. As such, all policies will be followed as written. Any exceptions to any policy may only be granted by appeal to Charlotte Christian School

Thank you for your participation in our athletic program. May God bless you as you use your God-given athletic abilities and desire to serve Him in this integral part of school life. The challenge provided by the following words from Colossians 3:17 (NIV) should serve as an appropriate challenge for your participation.

And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

Colossians 3:17 (NIV)

CHARLOTTE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Athletic Department Mission Statement:

The Charlotte Christian School Athletic Department is committed to develop Christ-like character among our student athletes and to encourage them to develop their God-given athletic abilities to their maximum potential. This will be accomplished through a program that emphasizes Christian character and conduct, achievement in athletics, leadership skills, and respect for teammates and opponents.

Mascot:

Knight

Colors:

Royal Blue and White

Affiliation:

Member of the
North Carolina Independent School Athletic Association (NCISAA)
Class: 3A

CHARLOTTE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL ATHLETIC PHILOSOPHY

The Charlotte Christian School's athletic program is a wonderful opportunity to minister to the non-Christian community through exemplary actions, Christ-like attitudes, and a high level of individual and team athletic skill. The challenge for our athletes, parents, and coaches is to adhere to the Colossians 3:17 mandate.

The priorities of athletic participants are based on the mission of the School. The priorities are:

1. Honor God in all we do.
2. The Lord's Holy Name and reputation of Charlotte Christian School must be preserved and protected.
3. The spiritual, emotional, and physical well-being of the individual athlete must take precedence over any individual or team athletic accomplishment. In addition, athletics at Charlotte Christian School is one primary means of accomplishing the school's mission. Spiritually, this mission seeks to glorify God through the development of Christian character and the pursuit of excellence.
4. Athletic excellence and accompanying awards should be taught and established as appropriate goals for any athlete or team.

What We Believe

We believe that the principles and lessons learned in athletics can be put into practice in the classroom, at home or through the local church. A microcosm of society, Athletics allows the student to develop and use his or her God-given abilities to glorify God. Because the arena of competition is usually surrounded with pressure, the athlete is tested, and the true character is revealed. Consequently, the opportunity for character growth readily presents itself through athletic competition. Therefore, athletics at Charlotte Christian School is considered an integral part of a student-athlete's overall school curriculum.

Our Commitment to Excellence

Our philosophy can best be summed up by the phrase "doing our best as we strive for excellence." We believe as Christians we are commanded by Scripture always to do our best. As believers, we are not to waste the talent God has given us by giving anything less than total commitment, thorough participation, and maximum effort. We also believe we should STRIVE to be THE best at what we do. Being the best at anything, whether it be a National Merit Scholar or a state champion in football, is a worthy and admirable goal of any Christian. We cannot always control whether we win or lose (as far as the final score goes), but we can always control whether we prepare and compete like a Champion.

Role Model Coaches

We recognize that coaches at Charlotte Christian School play a significant and vital role in the success our athletic program. As such, they have the responsibility to model Christ-like attitudes, behaviors, and desires for our student athletes while under pressure themselves. They are participants and teachers at the same time. One of the coach's most pivotal roles is to work with athletes whose character, revealed under pressure, needs to become more Christ-like. In order to be considered an effective coach and role model, our coaches must also be thoroughly knowledgeable in their sport, demonstrate detailed preparation, motivate athletes, make adjustments during competition, and actively give meaning to each situation a team or individual athlete may face. Coaches have great responsibilities, but also great opportunities, to mold young lives for Christ.

Our Program

We believe each individual sport at Charlotte Christian School should be developed into a "program." The head varsity coach shall be called the '**Program Director**' and be responsible to provide a consistent structure to ensure that similar philosophies are implemented at all levels of the program. The program should offer a quality experience while building pride among the participants. Parents should be valued as partners in this process of athletic education. Off-season conditioning, camps, etc, should be promoted for the serious athletes. College bound athletes and their parents should receive sound counsel on the potential of the student athlete. All activities within an individual sports program should exemplify the school's commitment to a Christ-like witness, excellence and reflect the school's and athletic department's policies, procedures and philosophy.

The Charlotte Christian School Athlete

We believe all Charlotte Christian School athletes should be diligent in preparation, relentless in effort, disciplined by training and, respectful in actions, self-controlled with words, humble in spirit, and aggressive in pursuit of excellence; without regard to the score, opponent, time, referee, etc. Our goal is to be humble in victory and gracious in defeat. When these qualities are demonstrated, good things usually happen: teams are successful, players are motivated, fans are supportive and enthusiastic, parents are proud, prospective athletes want to join in participation, and very often non-believers are drawn to Christ.

The Bottom Line

The bottom line is that Charlotte Christian athletics is focused on equipping student-athletes for their real test, life as a follower of Christ.

OUR PARENTS

Parents of student athletes have a responsibility to both their child and to the team. Without strong parental support the student athlete will not be able to achieve his/her greatest potential and/or the team may suffer. **It is important that parents provide positive reinforcement and understand their role as being part of the team.** Parents, as well as players, should be supportive and encourage coaches and teammates. Parents are not coaches and learning to trust coaches is a key step to learning the value of the life lesson experiences athletics teaches. **It is also important that parents honor the Lord when attending athletic events.** In order for Charlotte Christian athletic program to be successful, coaches, student athletes, and parents must make a firm commitment to glorify God at all times.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT CORE VALUES

- Charlotte Christian School Athletics Commitment to Developing Christian Character
 - Coaches to Student Athletes
 - Athletic Department to Coaches
- Commitment to be a strong Witness/Testimony
 - Charlotte Christian Teams to Opposing Team and Fans
 - Athletic Program to Community
- Preparation of Student Athletes
 - Discipline, Commitment, Perseverance, Teamwork, Maximum Effort
- Commitment to Stewardship
 - Financial
 - Safe and Clean Facilities
- Commitment to Athletic Excellence

SECTION 1: ELIGIBILITY FOR CO-CURRICULAR PARTICIPATION

It is a privilege to participate in co-curricular activities at Charlotte Christian School. Students participating in such activities are expected to demonstrate Christ-honoring academics and character, both in and out of the classroom. Failure to demonstrate such may result in the loss of privileges and the student being placed on an Academic Action Plan or behavioral contract.

Students who participate in co-curricular activities must maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA throughout the period of participation, with no failing grade. At each grade check (progress report, quarter check, etc.) academic eligibility will be assessed and if a student is either below the 2.0 minimum or has a failing grade at the time of the report, they will lose the privilege of participating in co-curricular events for one week. Renewed and continued participation in co-curricular events will depend on continued successful completion of Academic Action Plan requirements.

NOTE:

- The above one week loss of participation privilege will take effect beginning the Monday following grade posting.
- Involvement in practice will be at the discretion of the coach/director and family.

All student athletes at Charlotte Christian School must be exemplary members of the student body. Therefore, minimum standards of conduct and academic achievement have been adopted in order for student athletes to establish and maintain eligibility. Since the standards are almost identical for both the middle school and high school levels, they will be treated as such in this policy. When there are requirement differences, they should be closely noted. The following information detailing specific requirements and minimum academic standards are the policies:

1. Christian Character – Each student athlete is expected to conduct his/her life in accordance with the standards and principles set forth in God’s Word. This includes adhering to all appropriate Charlotte Christian standards of student conduct.

A. A student who is disciplined by the principal for isolated or repeated acts of serious misbehavior is subject to immediate placement on the ineligibility list. The duration of this disciplinary period will be determined by the appropriate principal.

B. As is the case for all problems, disputes, and disagreements at Charlotte Christian School, decisions of immediate supervisors may be appealed to those with administrative authority. An athlete should approach the coach first, the appropriate Athletic Director second, the appropriate Principal next, and, if necessary, take the matter to the Charlotte Christian Head of School.

2. Academics – Charlotte Christian School academic standards are high. These standards acknowledge that **academic achievement takes precedence over athletic participation**. Please refer to the Academic Eligibility Requirements for specifics as to ineligibility.

3. Trying Out for a Team if Ineligible – A student athlete who is ineligible for athletic participation at the time team tryouts are held will be allowed to try out for the team. It should be clearly understood,

however, that the possibility of that student athlete not regaining eligibility status at the time of the progress report update and the probability that the student athlete will miss some interscholastic competition and, therefore, perhaps adversely affect team performance and team accomplishment, will be a major consideration on behalf of the coaching staff when selecting team members.

4. Remaining on a Team After Being Declared Ineligible – It is entirely possible that a student athlete will be eligible when trying out for a team, will make the team, and will become ineligible after making the team, either before or after the season has started. If this occurs, the student athlete will, of course, be ineligible for the prescribed period of time.

5. Practicing with the Team if Ineligible – Generally speaking, ineligible student athletes should be spending time correcting situations that rendered them ineligible. **Therefore, ineligible student athletes should not be practicing with the team on a regular basis and should not accompany the teams to co-curricular contests on school nights.** There are times, however, when coaches need these student athletes at practice for the sake of team continuity. There may also be occasions when it is advantageous to all parties for a student athlete to attend a game. The discretion of the coach, with the concurrence of the athletic director and/or the principal, will dictate the necessity and frequency of the attendance of a student athlete at practice/games. At no time will an ineligible student athlete be permitted to miss school to practice or accompany his/her team on an athletic trip.

6. Suspension from School – A disciplinary action severe enough to warrant student suspension is certainly serious enough to eliminate the student athlete from all participation in interscholastic sports for at least the duration of the suspension. Therefore, any suspension, whether in-school or out-of-school will render a student athlete ineligible to attend practice or any interscholastic contest. A probation plan following suspension from school may result in ineligibility at the discretion of the school principal.

SECTION 2: AWARDS AND LETTERS

Athletic awards can be earned in all sports at Charlotte Christian School when the appropriate criteria are met. Awards are presented with the discretion of the coach and the athletic director. The awards and criteria are as follows:

1. Letters are to be presented on the basis of varsity participation.
2. A varsity high school participant will receive a royal blue “C” letter upon fulfilling the requirement for an athletic letter for the first time. This letter will be placed on the left chest of his/her letter jacket upon purchase. In addition, the athlete will receive a service bar (short for girls/long for boys) along with the sport pin. Thereafter, each time an athlete letters in a sport he/she will receive a service bar. Each service bar indicates the number of years lettering. A third and fourth bar can be earned.
3. Auxiliary awards/patches that an athlete may receive will be placed on the back of the letter jacket.
4. Middle school athletes will receive a middle school participation certificate.

Athletic Awards Ceremonies

Athletic award recognition ceremonies provide special forums to present athletes with much-deserved recognition for individual and team accomplishments. All available awards, including certificates, letters, plaques, service bars, special awards, etc. will be presented at the individual team end of season awards program, which is planned by the coach (or a parent volunteer). Each team should have their end of season awards program within two weeks after their last game. Special plaques may be awarded to Varsity level athletes by their coaches to include, but not limited to: Most Improved Player, Best Record, Best Defense, Best Midfielder, Best Offense, Top Server, and Most Rebounds.

Medals may be awarded to Varsity level athletes by their coaches to include, but not limited to: Most Assists, Most Goals, Most Steals, Most 3 Pointers, Most Kills, Top Average, Most RBI's, and School Record.

SECTION 3: ATTENDANCE AT PRACTICES AND CONTESTS

Each member of a Charlotte Christian School Athletic team must assume the responsibilities associated with such a position. The athlete has an ethical obligation to the team and the school. This obligation includes regular attendance at practices and athletic contests.

It is possible, of course, that emergency situations may arise (e.g., illness, death in a family, etc.) that render it impossible for an athlete to attend a practice session or an athletic contest. Absences should be few and far between and arranged with the coach as early as possible.

When athletic team practices occur on school vacation days all varsity athletes are expected to be in attendance. If a conflict arises and the athlete may have to miss a practice it is of utmost importance that the athlete communicates this with the coach immediately knowing that consequences may follow. Summer and off-season activities are strongly encouraged but cannot be required by coaches.

Absences from practice sessions or athletic contests will be handled in the following manner:

- Absence from Practice

- *Excused absence.....No action
- *Unexcused absenceConference with coach and discipline of athlete
(1st offense)
- *Unexcused absenceSuspension from the next contest (33% of contests that week)
(2nd offense)
- *Unexcused absenceDismissal from team (**Athlete forfeits all awards**)
(3rd offense)

- Absence from Athletic Contest

- *Excused absenceNo action
- *Unexcused absenceSuspension from next two contests (66% of contests that week)
(1st offense)
- *Unexcused absence Dismissal from team (**Athlete forfeits all awards**)
(2nd offense)

SECTION 4: ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

All students at Charlotte Christian School are expected to attend every class on time and be properly prepared to learn and contribute to the learning process.

If a student misses more than a half-day of school on the day of an event, performance, production or game, the student will be ineligible to participate in that school-sponsored event unless granted permission by the principal.

SECTION 5: PHYSICAL FORM & PARENTAL CONSENT

1. For a student to be allowed to try out for a team or practice with a team, he/she **must** have a current physical form on file in the Athletic office. The NCISAA requires that physicals be dated between May 1 and the first practice of each year. These forms are available in the Athletic office or the Upper School office.

2. For a student to be allowed to participate on any team, he/she **must** have on file in the **Athletic office** a Consent & Release Form signed by both parent(s) and student agreeing to abide by the terms of the Charlotte Christian School athletic code. Please complete, sign and return the form in the back of the athletic section of the family handbook to the Athletic office.

3. For a student to be allowed to participate on any team, he/she **must** have on file in the Athletic office an Emergency Medical Information form signed by a parent/guardian. Please complete, sign and return the form in the back of this handbook to the Athletic office.

The Athletic Department will sponsor annual physicals sometime in July each year. We encourage students to get their physicals done at this time.

Injuries – All injuries should be treated with caution and handled with care. The parents will be contacted in the event of all injuries and consulted with in any decisions made in regard to treatment and rehabilitation. Charlotte Christian School has athletic trainers to help with the care and rehabilitation of injuries. The trainer will recommend doctors and/or treatments to care for the student, but the final decision rests with the parents.

If an athlete sees a physician for any reason during their season it must be reported to the athletic trainers along with a note from the physician releasing them to return to their sport. **WITHOUT** that note the athlete will **NOT** be allowed to return to their sport, practice or games. If an athlete has had surgery within four months of the start date of their season, he/she must also bring a note to the athletic trainers in order to be released to return to their sport by the physician. If an athlete is not participating in P.E. due to an injury, he/she may not participate in any athletics, including free play, practice, of games, until released by their physician.

Parent Pre-Season Meetings – At least one parent of student athletes are required to attend a pre-season meeting with the coaching staff of that sport. The meeting shall be held before the first contest. Parents will be informed of all rules for their sport as well as the rules of Charlotte Christian School and the NCISAA.

SECTION 6: HANDLING PROBLEMS/SOLVING DISPUTES

All disputes at Charlotte Christian School, including those related to athletic matters, should be handled in a Biblical manner. In particular, Charlotte Christian School encourages application of the “Matthew 18 Principle” when handling a problem/settling a dispute. This principle, in summary form, encourages the offended party to go directly to the one with whom he/she has a problem. (e.g., student athlete should talk to the coach at an appropriate time prior to parental involvement and prior to going directly to the Athletic Director or Principal.)

NOTE: Lack of playing time is not considered a dispute and should not be addressed with the coach. (Refer to Playing Time Policy)

If the situation is not resolved, the offended is encouraged to seek a solution by speaking to the next person in authority. In simple terms, an athlete should approach the coach first, the appropriate Athletic Director second, the appropriate Principal next, and, if necessary, take the matter to the Charlotte Christian School Head of School. In the unlikely event an appropriate solution is still not forthcoming, the matter must ultimately be resolved by the Board of Trustees.

It is absolutely necessary that this chain-of-command be followed specifically. If not, the upper level authorities will direct the offended party to solve the problem at the appropriate level.

SECTION 7: NO QUIT POLICY

If a student is selected for a position on one of the Charlotte athletic teams, it is important that he/she makes a firm commitment to that team. Therefore, quitting a team after being selected for the team is strongly discouraged. If any student athlete quits a team after being selected as a member of that team, that student athlete is prohibited from trying out for another Charlotte Christian School co-curricular team (Drama, other sport, etc.) during the same season nor be allowed to tryout for a sport the next season (i.e. if you quit a fall sport you will not be allowed to tryout for a winter sport). Furthermore, it should be clearly understood that the action of any student athlete quitting a team will certainly be among the criteria considered by coaches of subsequent teams on which a student athlete desires a position. Exceptions may occur if both coaches agree it is in the best interest of the student.

SECTION 8: PLAYING TIME POLICY

Generally speaking, the lower the level of athletic involvement, the more desirable Charlotte Christian School finds it to stress athlete playing time provisions. As a general guideline, athletes selected to be members at the Middle School levels should play, as a minimum, an average of one-quarter of the contest or should compete in one-quarter of the athletic meets. It is the average concept, not a rigid dictate that each athlete play in every game, that is important. Therefore, it is entirely possible that some athletes may not play in “big” games (e.g., a tournament championship).

Charlotte Christian School athletic philosophy is different, however, when athletes compete at the Junior Varsity and Varsity level. While it is true that our coaches and administrative personnel believe it to be important to broaden the experience of Charlotte Christian School athletes, and that broadening is enhanced by playing time, it is also an important goal of the Charlotte Christian School athletic program to strive toward excellence. **Therefore, no minimum per game playing time provisions or minimum numbers of athletic meets in which athletes must compete are established at the Junior Varsity or Varsity level. Playing time decisions are left up to the individual coaches.**

SECTION 9: STARTING A SEASON LATE

A student may start a season late if the reasons are acceptable to the coach and the Athletic Director. If a cut has been made the student must go through a two-three day try out period. If the student is determined to be good enough they may be added to the team. No one may be cut to make room for this student. If a student transfers into Charlotte Christian School once a season has already begun, they will be considered as a new student with new opportunities and will be permitted to try out for a team. (This does not apply to Cheerleading).

Injuries during tryouts:

Students who are injured during the tryout process or who are not able to begin the tryout process may begin/finish tryouts at a later time with the following guidelines:

- Injury must be documented by a Charlotte Christian School Athletic Trainer.
- Student must attend tryouts/practices unless he/she is receiving treatment or performing rehabilitation on the injury.
- Students/parent must understand the injured student is not guaranteed a position on the team once the injury heals. He/she may simply begin the tryout process again depending on the length of the recovery process.
- Athletic Director will determine the deadline for injured student to return to the team to complete tryouts based on length of season and other factors.

Please note that we will do our best to treat all the students fairly and equitably in this process and we will use all information possible to make our decisions.

SECTION 10: SCHEDULES

The scheduling of all athletic events and practices is determined by the Athletic Director in cooperation with each coach. The coach will issue a schedule to the students and parents as soon as possible in each season. If practice is understood to be every day, there may not be a printed practice schedule issued. Athletic contests are rarely scheduled on Wednesdays and **all practices** will try to end earlier on Wednesdays (except for basketball because of gym space issues). Athletic practices may be scheduled on Saturdays, but there will never be any practice on Sunday. On occasion an athletic event may be scheduled on a day or weekend when school is out on vacation. When this is determined to be necessary, the dates will be given out as far ahead as possible and **all athletes are expected to be in attendance.**

SECTION 11: TEAM PICTURES

A professional photographer will take team and individual pictures early in each season. These pictures are optional and can be purchased online at www.stjohnphotography.com.

SECTION 12: TRANSPORTATION

1. It is policy that all Charlotte Christian School teams will receive transportation to away contests. The mode of transportation will be by either Charlotte Christian activity bus, a chartered bus, or when parents have completed the proper permission forms, students are allowed to drive.
2. Middle school teams will receive one-way transportation to 'in-town' away contests, either by Charlotte Christian activity bus. It is the parents' responsibility to make sure their athletes have a ride home from away contests. Out of town contests include Cannon School – Charlotte Christian will provide transportation to and from Cannon School.
3. If the Junior Varsity team travels with the Varsity team, they will have transportation home from away contests. Likewise, if the coach of the team (be it Varsity, JV or middle school) drives the bus to the event, that team will have transportation home from the event.
4. Students may be released to their parents after an away contest with verbal consent by the coach.
5. Occasionally, students may drive and/or meet at away events only with the consent of the coach and **written permission from parents if driving from school.** This is optimal when a student lives closer to the facility where the contest is being played than they are to Charlotte Christian School.
6. **Coaches are responsible to stay with student athletes returning from off campus events at night until all students have been picked up.** Likewise, a coach must remain at an away event until all students have been picked up.

SECTION 13: SCHOOL EQUIPMENT

1. Students are responsible for all equipment issued to them. Athletic uniforms are supplied for the sole purpose of athletic participation. This equipment is not to be used for any other purpose. Contest jerseys are not to be home outside of competition without approval by the coach and athletic director (i.e., football jerseys worn by girls on Friday nights).
2. When the season is over, all equipment and uniforms are to be returned to the coach who will keep inventory of all items issued to the team. The coach will then submit the end-of-season inventory list to the Assistant AD - Equipment Coordinator in a timely manner following the season.
3. The parent is responsible for the dollar replacement cost of any lost or damaged school issued equipment or uniforms. Parents will be invoiced by the Business office.
4. Uniform budget will be allocated and reviewed by the Athletic Director according to a rotation schedule. Rotation is approximately every four (4) years. (Varsity uniforms will be passed down to the JV team and Middle School team if possible).

SECTION 14: MULTIPLE-SPORT POLICY

Encouragement - To fully accomplish the mission statement of Charlotte Christian Athletics we, the coaches and athletic directors, must encourage all of our student athletes to participate in multiple sports. A multiple sport athlete has two to three times the opportunity to develop Christian friendships, Christian character, competitive experience, etc. than a single sport athlete.

If a student athlete approaches a coach or athletic administrator about his/her thoughts on the pros and cons of being a multiple sport athlete, it is our job to carefully give the student athlete an objective evaluation of his/her options. Never should a coach discourage participation in other sports. Coaches should share as much information with the student athlete as possible to help him/her make the best-informed decision he/she can make.

Students who desire to participate in two sports in the same season (E.g., soccer player who wants to be a kicker as well) must receive written approval from the two coaches, athletic director and principal. The student (or parent) should approach their coach first, and then the coach will bring this request to the athletic director. A student must declare their primary and secondary sport. A student will attend all games, practices, meetings, etc of the primary sport and attend secondary sport contests will there are no primary sport activities.

Off-Season Practice Policies - When a student athlete makes a commitment to participate in a team sport, he/she is making a commitment to the team to be at his/her best/peak performance at all times during the season. The student athlete is also facing the challenge of maintaining his/her academics at the highest level possible. Therefore, student athletes will not be able to participate in athletic activities of an off-season sport organized by Charlotte Christian coaches. These activities include:

- ❖ Open Gyms, Scrimmages, Pick-Up Games
- ❖ Conditioning

- ❖ Weight Training
- ❖ Skills Practices
- ❖ Drills

If a student athlete violates this rule, then the coach who discovers the violation must make the student athlete stop the activities immediately. The incident must then be reported to that student athlete's current coach. There will be no exceptions to this rule unless the student athlete requests an exemption from their in-season coach and then that coach agrees to the request. Coaches will then present this request to the Athletic Director for approval. Student athletes may choose to participate in non-Charlotte Christian off-season sports outside the Charlotte Christian campus. This is permissible, but "club" sports must take a backseat to the athlete's Charlotte Christian team when it comes to schedule conflicts. Not allowing the student athlete to participate in off-season sports activities will help that athlete:

1. Have the proper amount of time for optimum academic studies and achievements; and
2. Fulfill his/her commitment to their in-season sports team by reducing risk of injury and not overexerting themselves physically, thus being at peak performance at all practices and games.

SECTION 15: FACILITY USAGE

Due to high demand of the Charlotte Christian athletic facilities, all facility requests should be made to the Athletic Director. Nothing should be scheduled in the gyms, at the Swim & Tennis Center, on the fields, stadium or track without first contacting the Athletic Director.

SECTION 16: TEAM FUNDRAISING PROJECTS

All team fundraising projects must be presented to and approved by the Athletic Director, who will then submit the appropriate form to the Leadership Team for its approval. Only after the project has been approved by the Leadership Team is the team allowed to go ahead with the fundraiser.

SECTION 17: CO-CURRICULAR CONFLICTS

If a conflict arises involving an athletic contest and an event related to another school activity, the coach and teacher/sponsor will discuss whether accommodations can be made to allow the student to participate in both events. If an agreement is not reached in this manner, the student and parent(s) will decide how best to proceed in the best interest of the student. Teachers and coaches may assign alternative work/tasks in place of the missed event. No additional or punitive penalties may be assessed beyond the loss of benefits (e.g., grades, participation) inherent in the event itself. It is understood that post-season contests/performances will take priority over regular in-season contests/performances. Every effort will be made to avoid scheduling conflicts when known events exist, but please know that not all scheduling conflicts can be avoided. It is best to have pre-determined the student's primary activity and secondary activity so that if a conflict arises, the student and coaches know what event the student will be attending.

SECTION 18: END OF SEASON CELEBRATION

It is appropriate for Charlotte Christian School teams to have an end of season celebration to recognize the accomplishments and highlights of the season, distribute team awards and letters, as well as communicate the growth and development that the coaches witnessed during the season.

Whether it is a banquet, team party or informal gathering, all Charlotte Christian School policies and procedures must be followed. No alcohol will be served during any Charlotte Christian School end of season celebration.

SECTION 19: ATHLETIC TEAM OPPORTUNITIES

Athletic teams currently offered at the **High School** level at Charlotte Christian School are:

Fall	Winter	Spring
Cheerleading	Men's Basketball	Baseball
Coed Cross Country	Ladies' Basketball	Men's Golf
Football	Coed Swimming	Ladies' Soccer
Men's Soccer	Wrestling	Ladies' Softball
Ladies' Tennis	Cheerleading	Men's Tennis
Ladies' Volleyball	*Indoor track (Club team)	Coed Track and Field

The interscholastic sports currently being offered at the **Middle School** level at Charlotte Christian School are:

Fall	Winter	Spring
6 th -8 th Cheerleading	MS Boys' Basketball	MS Baseball
MS Coed Cross Country	MS Girls' Basketball	MS Boys' Golf
MS Football	MS Coed Swimming	MS Girls' Soccer
MS Boys' Soccer	MS Wrestling	MS Girls' Softball
MS Girls' Tennis	6 th -8 th Cheerleading	MS Boys' Tennis
MS Girls' Volleyball		MS Coed Track and Field

SECTION 20: STAYING CONNECTED

It is necessary at times to cancel games and practices at the last minute due to inclement weather. **Please do not call the school on these days.** There is a telephone hotline that will be updated continually, as well as a cancellation page on our website. If it is a home event that we have scheduled, the **Athletic Director will make the cancellation call by 2 p.m.** If it is an away event, the opponent school Athletic Director makes the cancellation call. As soon as we receive that call the telephone hotline and the website will be updated. The cancellation will be announced immediately from the respective school office and students will be allowed to call their parents at that time to make arrangements for pick up.

To access the telephone hotline, dial (704) 366-1367, ext. 7070.

To see cancellations on the website, go to www.athletics2000.com/charlottechristian.