



St. Theresa's High School

Athlete's Contract

2018-19

Being a member of a school team identifies you as a leader in our school community. You will experience and learn many things from your teammates and coaches. You will also have many added responsibilities. In order to remain a part of the Thunder Athletic program, you must accept these responsibilities and your behavior must reflect our code of conduct.

ATHLETIC FEES/STUDENT CARD:

All student athletes will be required to pay an athletic fee of **\$30.00** to participate on a St. Theresa's team. This fee includes your ticket for the year end Athletic Banquet. Please note that you pay for your first team – there are no charges for subsequent teams that you may join. In addition to this fee, the student athlete is expected to have a student card, which comes with the payment of the student activity fee (\$50.00). In order to sign the Athlete's Contract, and therefore compete, each athlete must pay his/her Athletic fee and have a student card.

TEAM COMMITMENT:

By joining a team athletes have a commitment that includes playing to the best of their ability, demonstrating proper sportsmanship in and out of competition, demonstrating punctuality and diligence for practices and games, and demonstrating respect to teammates, coaches, officials and opponents. St. T's Student-Athletes are allowed to play on one (1) team sport and one (1) individual sport per season. Failure to meet these commitments may result in the removal of the students athletic privileges for all sports for the remainder of the school year.

UNIFORM DEPOSIT:

Students will be required to place a deposit for use of team uniforms. No cheques will be cashed unless the uniform is lost or damaged due to neglect. Students and parents will be informed if the cheque will be cashed.

DISMISSAL TIME:

You may be excused from some of your classes to attend some of your events. The time announced as dismissal time allows time for you to return to your locker and board the bus. This does not allow time for extra travelling (for example, to the cafeteria, to a friend's locker etc.) Organize your books, equipment, etc. ahead of time. **You are reminded to leave only at the announced time and not prior to it.**

FUNDRAISING:

The costs to operate our co-curricular programs are significant. It is expected that each athlete will contribute to our fund-raising activities. Our Parents' Association continues to be very supportive of the school co-curricular program and it is important that the people who directly benefit from this support, namely the participants, work with them in their fund-raising ventures. Fund raising activities may include tournaments, track meets, clinics and concession booths.

TRANSPORTATION:

The Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board mandate states that the safest accepted mode of transportation to a school event is on a school bus or rented van. Occasionally other arrangements must be made. These arrangements must be made in advance and the proper forms must be completed. A note from home is required for any situation where a student is not returning on the school bus (rides with parents other than your own, not returning directly to school, drop-offs etc.) **STUDENTS MAY NEVER DRIVE THEMSELVES.**

ATTENDANCE:

Each team member must be in school during game/event day and the day before any tournament. This includes senior students. Students who miss class during the day and play a game that evening will not be allowed to participate in the team's next game. Only medical appointments (with a note) will be accepted. Students who exhibit chronic attendance difficulties may be prohibited from participation on a school team.

ACADEMIC RESPONSIBILITIES:

- a) You are responsible to meet the goals expected in all of your classes. These expectations include class attendance, effort, behavior and achievement. You must remember that your number one priority is academics, and you are expected to perform to the best of your abilities.
- b) You will be missing some time from various classes. ***It is your responsibility to obtain class materials and assignments. You must discuss your absence with the appropriate teacher(s) PRIOR to the day of your event.*** You may be required to complete additional work to account for the time away from the subject.

CONDUCT:

It is expected that your conduct will reflect the positive qualities of a St. Theresa’s athlete. As a school representative, one is expected to conduct himself or herself in a mannerly, respectful way. This applies to all school situations, be it at St. Theresa’s or any other school. Poor sportsmanship, inappropriate language and student code violations (i.e. disobedience, vandalism, verbal abuse, substance abuse) will not be tolerated. It is an honor and privilege to be a St. Theresa’s athlete. Conduct yourself accordingly.

CONSEQUENCES:

It is the intent of this contract to provide consistent, fair and appropriate expectations for ALL Thunder athletes. A number of actions will result pending the situation.

- a) It is expected that each student-athlete performs to the best of his/her ability in class. Any student who is not passing a course (50% or higher) will meet initially with his/her teacher, coach and Co-Curricular Chairperson. A two week probation period (no practices/games) may be enforced in order to improve academic standing. If positive results do not occur, a case conference involving all your subject teachers, coach, administration, parents and the co-curricular chairperson will occur where recommendations of your future athletic involvement will be discussed.
- b) Behavioral concerns will be dealt with in a school “Board of Reference”. The board will consist of the Principal and/or Vice Principal, Co-curricular Chairperson and your coach. Parents will be invited to attend. Future involvement in the said sport and other sports will be determined at this hearing. A CSASC Board of Reference may occur if your behavior is in violation of the sport in which you are involved.
- c) Suspicion and/or proof of drinking or drug use will result in a Board of Reference, and possible removal from all St. T’s sports teams for a period of 1 year.

In summation, we take great pride in the co-curricular program at St. Theresa’s High School. As a participant and contributor, it is hoped that the experiences will be positive and rewarding. Take pride in representing St. Theresa’s High School.

Cullen Fay (Athletic Co-Ordinator)

NOW THAT YOU HAVE READ THE ATHLETE’S CONTRACT, PLEASE COMPLETE THE BOTTOM PORTION AND HAND IN TO YOUR COACH WITH THE \$30.00 ATHLETIC FEE (IF APPLICABLE).

Teacher Signatures:

SPORT: _____

Period 1 _____ Course _____	<input type="checkbox"/> I have concerns with this student’s progress in class
Period 2 _____ Course _____	<input type="checkbox"/> I have concerns with this student’s progress in class
Period 3 _____ Course _____	<input type="checkbox"/> I have concerns with this student’s progress in class
Period 4 _____ Course _____	<input type="checkbox"/> I have concerns with this student’s progress in class

*****Note: In the event of a photograph(s) being taken at any St. Theresa’s sporting event the following signatures authorize publication of said photographs in all St. Theresa’s publications including the school website.***

Student Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ **Date:** _____