ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF
RULES FOR PARTICIPATING ATHLETES

All athletes at ASD must comply with the general rules set by the Athletic Department and Rules for Sports participation are in accordance with the Arkansas High School Activities Association (AHSAA) guidelines, Arkansas Association of Christian Schools (AACS) and ASD Policies and Student-Athlete and Parents Handbook.

General Rules

1. Student-Athlete/Team Members must be in attendance at school for the entire school day in order to participate in AHSAA, NFHS, AACS, and ASD-sponsored activities. In case of emergency situations, the Athletic Director and school Principals may grant an exception.

2. Student-Athlete/Team Members must submit a physical examination statement to the Athletic Director before engaging in any sport (both in practices and games).

3. Student-Athlete/Team Members caught for the use of possession of tobacco, alcohol and/or drugs will be automatically dismissed from the team for the reminder of the season. If caught a second time, students will be banned from any sports for the rest of the school year.

4. A Student-Athlete/Team Member who has been admitted to the ASD Infirmary for more than one hour will not be allowed to participate in that day's game. Students who have missed two or more days of school are not allowed to play in that week's game(s).

5. A Student-Athlete/Team Member may participate in only one sport during the fall, winter, and spring seasons. He/she is expected to stay on that team until the season is finished.

6. Student-Athlete/Team Members may participate in track and soccer if scheduling permits. Coaches must agree before a student can transfer from one sport to the other (soccer to track or vice versa) before spring break in March.

7. Student-Athlete/Team Members violating ASD's code of conduct and/or other school rules will be ineligible until they have complied with all disciplinary sanctions.

8. On weekend competitions/trips, phone/pagers are to be turned in to the Coaches and/or ASD Staff half an hour before bedtime and one hour before any athletic competition. Violations will result in the loss of privilege for the remainder of the trip/weekend.

9. Student-Athlete/Team Members who are ineligible (below a 2.0 GPA) at the start of the 9th week of each term (1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th) will attend four-week sessions of tutoring to reach a 2.0 GPA or above. If he/she fails to meet the requirements, then the Student will be dismissed from the team.

10. A Student-Athlete/Team Member being seen by medical personnel or a doctor for emergency treatment will need to bring any form or waiver to the Athletic Director before being allowed to practice or play.

11. Student-Athlete/Team Members breaking the team and/or school rules will meet with the Coaches, the Athletic Director and the Principal and/or the Director of Student Life about the possibility of being dismissed from the team, depending on the severity of the situation.

12. Student-Athlete/Team Members failing to take care of uniforms/gear will be responsible for the replacement costs.

13. **Photograph Release** – I give permission to ASD, the ASD Booster Club (ASDBC), Deaf Digest, SportsMX and National Deaf Interscholastic Athletic Association (NDIAA), and Great Plains School for the Deaf (GPSD) for photos of my child participating in school activities to be used for public awareness of ASD and Deaf Culture through Internet and website postings, television, newspapers, media, and social media, including, but not limited to, Facebook and Twitter. The student's name may be used in conjunction with the photograph or video clip. It is understood, however, that once the photograph or video clip is displayed on a website, the District has no control over how the photograph or video clip is used or misused by persons accessing the District's website.

    Is this ◯ YES or ◯ NO

We have read the above and understand the goals and rules stated. Also we received the Student-Athletes and Parents Handbook.

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Student Name (Print Please)	Today's Date
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Student's Signature	Parent/Guardian's Signature

05/24/18

Please return the signed form to the Athletic Director