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PHILOSOPHY

The South Hadley Inter-scholastic athletic program is an integral part of the total school program. The overall goals of this program fall under the philosophy, goals, and objectives of the educational system. The program demands a strong commitment to academics first, before participation takes place on our teams. The inter-scholastic athletic program provides for constructive physical, mental, moral, emotional, social growth and character development. Healthy physical activity is essential to every day living and participation in inter-scholastic athletics helps to establish a disciplined life and qualities associated with successful adulthood.

OBJECTIVES

- Provide opportunities for students to learn to cope with -problems and handle situations similar to those of every day living.
- Provide opportunities for physical, mental, and emotional growth.
- Provide opportunities to develop skills in the activities of each student's choice.
- Provide opportunities to develop and understand the concepts of individual and team play.
- Develop a sense of commitment, loyalty, cooperation, and fairness.
- Generate the feeling of unity throughout the community.
- Create a healthy competitive atmosphere and an attitude of good sportsmanship that stresses winning and losing with grace and dignity.
- Develop the opportunity to practice self-discipline and emotional maturity in learning to make decisions under pressure.
- Strive for playing excellence.
- Provide the opportunity to learn to enjoy the use of leisure time constructively both now and in the future.
- Provide the opportunity for students to develop confidence and self-esteem.
- Provide the opportunity for students to effectively manage time.

ADMINISTRATIVE FLOWCHART

Level 1: Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA)

The MIAA is the governing body of athletics within the State of Massachusetts. Its Board of Directors is made up of Principals from the various districts throughout the State. The Board of Directors and its various subcommittees establish policy for all member schools.

Level 2: Pioneer Valley Interscholastic Athletic Conference (PVIAC)

The PVIAC is an athletic conference in the Pioneer Valley that is made up of a group of forty-two high schools who have organized for the purpose of establishing rules and guidelines to create fair and equitable competition among member schools in all sports. The PVIAC follows all rules and regulations of the MIAA.

Level 3: Local School Committee

The School Committee is the governing body for South Hadley High School. It sets all policy within the school district relative to athletics.

Level 4: Superintendent of Schools

The Superintendent of Schools administers school policy relative to athletics as established by the School Committee. The Superintendent is responsible for the establishment of the school's athletic policy.

Level 5: High School Principal

The High School Principal is the official representative of the school and is directly responsible for the total conduct of all athletic affairs of the school. The principal is the official school representative in matters dealing with the MIAA and the PVIAC. He/she insures that all MIAA guidelines and policies are followed. The principal is responsible for any official action taken by the school. The Academic Deans are responsible for all of the principal's responsibilities in his/her absence.

Level 6: Athletic Director

The Athletic Director is directly responsible to the Principal. He/she is responsible for the supervision and administration of the entire interscholastic athletic program. He/she provides the leadership necessary for the daily operation of the athletic department. The athletic director is responsible for carrying out and enforcing all school committee, high school, PVIAC, and MIAA rules and guidelines. He/she is responsible for the direct supervision and evaluation of all coaches.

Level 7: Head Coaches/Cheerleader Advisor

Head coaches are responsible to the Athletic Director and are responsible for the total operation of their respective sports program. Head coaches shall act as official representatives of the school as they carry out their interscholastic athletic responsibilities at practices, games, league meetings, and the like.

Level 8: Assistant Coaches

Assistant coaches are directly responsible to the head coach. They are responsible for helping the head coach with the daily responsibility of teaching student athletes, supervision, and coaching of junior varsity teams. They are responsible for carrying out the instruction of offensive and defensive strategies and philosophy as set forth by the head coach.

THE SOUTH HADLEY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC PROGRAM

The South Hadley High School Athletic Program strives to offer a comprehensive set of sports teams at as many levels as participation and funding will support. From year to year, some sports or levels of play may not be available due to low levels of participation or because of lack of funding.

All students have an equal opportunity to try out for the following teams:

FALL	WINTER	SPRING
Cheerleading V	Boys Basketball V/JV>(*Fr)	Baseball V/JV(*Fr)
Field Hockey V/JV	Girls Basketball V/JV(*Fr)	Softball V/JV(*Fr)
Football V/JV(*Fr)	Cheerleading V/JV	Boys Tennis V/JV
Soccer V/JV	Boys Swimming V	Girls Tennis V
Girls Volleyball V/JV	Girls Swimming V	Boys Lacrosse V/JV
Boys Cross Country V	Ice Hockey V	Girls Lacrosse V/JV
Girls Cross Country V	Wrestling V	Boys Track V
Golf V	Boys and Girls Indoor Track	Girls Track V

*** Freshman sports are run pending proper funding and interest. Parents of athletes that wish to be on a freshman team must privately fundraise the cost of the program prior to the start of the season for that freshman sport to be offered.**

COMMUNICATION

There are going to be questions and issues regarding all sports. From time to time, students and parents will want to discuss these issues with school officials. It is expected that the following line of communication will be used. Every effort should be made to resolve all issues at the lowest possible level.

1. Coach
2. Athletic Director
3. Principal
4. Superintendent

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

South Hadley High School	538-5063
South Hadley Police Department	538-8231
South Hadley Fire Department (Ambulance)	533-7111
	911
Five Star Transportation	538-6840

FUND RAISING

As a result of decreasing funds for athletics, fund raising is an accepted part of all athletic programs. Fund raising activities conducted by each team must be done under the supervision of the head coach and must receive the approval of the athletic director and athletic booster club prior to implementation.

In order for approval to be given, each fundraiser must have a justifiable objective. The money raised must be used to supplement the particular sport program (i.e. take the team to a college game, team warm-ups, etc...). The materials purchased from the fundraiser become part of the athletic department. The money generated should not be used to fund the regular sports program (i.e. equipment, officials, transportation) where money is provided for in the budget excluding freshman sports. The coach is responsible for providing a financial report to the athletic director. All money left over after funding the specific objective must be donated to the Booster Association of South Hadley (BASH) or be placed in the athletic revolving fund. At no time should separate bank accounts be opened for the purpose of holding money raised from fundraising events.

BOOSTER ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH HADLEY (BASH)

The South Hadley Booster Association is a support group for all athletic teams at South Hadley High School. They are the only support group recognized by the school committee. It is expected that all athletes will take part in the major fundraising events organized by BASH throughout the year.

AWARDS FOR ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION

Certificates

Certificates will be awarded to every student athlete and manager who completes the season (every sport, every season).

Numbers

Numbers, the last two digits of the student's year of graduation, are given to each student at the completion of their first season of any sport at the Freshman, Junior Varsity or Varsity level. These are only issued once to each student while participating in athletics at SHHS.

Letters

Letters will be awarded to all varsity athletes who meet the specific criteria established by the coach if they have already received their numbers. (Athletes do not receive numbers and a letter at the same time.) Only one varsity letter will be awarded to any athlete while competing at the varsity level, no matter how many varsity sports or years on a varsity team the athlete participates.

Pins

Sport-specific pins will be awarded to all athletes who meet the criteria for a varsity letter for the second time in any sport. Captain's pins are awarded to the varsity captains.

Senior Plaques (Contingent on available funds from B.A.S.H.)

Any senior who plays a varsity sport during their senior year will receive a Senior Plaque.

(All of the above awards are funded by BASH and are presented at the sports banquets held at the conclusion of each season. The senior plaque presentation is made at the Spring Sports Banquet.)

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR ALL STUDENT ATHLETES

Physical Examinations

Students must pass a physical examination within 13 months of participation in any sport. If a physical expires during the season of play, the athlete remains eligible until the conclusion of the season they are participating in (but does not carry over to the start of a new sport/season). The school physician will be available to give physicals at no charge to the students at specifically designated times. Students who are not present at these times will be responsible for their own physical from their family physician prior to participation. Each student must have a copy of a valid physical on file with the school.

Parental/Guardian Permission

All students must have written parental permission in order to participate in any athletic program unless the student is eighteen years old. Eighteen year old students do not require permission of their parent(s)/Guardian(s).

Nineteen Year Old Student Non-Participation Rule

Students who are 19 years old prior to September 1 of their senior year are not eligible for high school athletics.

Student Eligibility

Students are eligible for athletics for 12 consecutive seasons beginning with their entry into the ninth grade.

Foreign Exchange Student Eligibility

Foreign exchange students are eligible under the following conditions:

- The student must be in a C.S.I.E.T. approved program and they meet all other eligibility requirements. A list of all C.S.I.E.T. approved programs maybe obtained in the guidance office.
- Their parents move to the U.S. and establish residence in South Hadley.

All parents hosting a foreign exchange student should contact the athletic director as soon as they know that the student coming to this country is interested in participating in an athletic program.

Eligibility of Special Education Students

For students who receive services under Chapter 766 and whose individualized education plan is a 502.4 prototype or higher, may be declared academically eligible by the Principal, provided that all other eligibility requirements are met.

Transfer Student Eligibility

Students who transfer from another high school are ineligible to participate in sports if:

- They participated at the varsity level in a sport in which they intend to play at South Hadley High School
- The parents of transfer students do not change residence
- Students transfer after the start of the practice season during that sport season

Transfer students who have played in the preceding year at the varsity level at another high school or its equivalent are ineligible for one year from the date of transfer.

A waiver request is available for transfer students with special circumstances. The parents of all transfer students who intend to participate in athletics should contact the Athletic Director immediately upon considering a transfer to South Hadley High School.

Planning Room Consequences

Any student assigned to the Planning Room cannot participate in sports or other co-curricular activities on that day, and subsequent days until all academic recovery time has been completed.

Physical Education Classes

Any Student that does not participate in a physical education class will not be permitted to practice or play on that particular day. If a student is not fit to participate in class due to injury or illness, they are assumed to be unfit to practice or play later in the day. Any student athlete not prepared for physical education will also not be eligible for athletics on that day.

Medical Excuses

Any student, who is medically excused from any class, may be ineligible for participation that day. The athletic director, school administrators and the nurse reserve the right to enforce this rule.

Academic Eligibility

1. All students must meet all school and MIAA eligibility requirements.
2. A student will be required to successfully complete at least 28 hours of prepared work per academic quarter. To be eligible for participation, all students must achieve 28 passing credits in subjects during the last marking period preceding the athletic season or student activity in which he/she wishes to take part. To be eligible for fall athletics students are required to have passing grades for the final course grades for the required 28 hours of prepared course work.
3. Any student who receives a failing grade on his/her quarterly report card that brings him/her below the minimum 28 hours of prepared, passing work, will be ineligible for participation in athletics, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities.
4. A student who fails a course for the academic year may, on the recommendation of the teacher and department chairperson, receive permission from the high school principal to make up a failed course by completing the equivalent course and achieving a minimum grade of "C" in an approved summer school program.
5. Under this policy, there is no waiver entitlement for students who fail course work. However, after consulting with the teacher and department chairperson, the high school principal may use his/her professional discretion to address individual cases with compelling, extenuating circumstances.
(Adopted October 17, 1995, Revised March 17, 1998)

When Eligibility is Determined

Student eligibility will be determined on the day report cards are issued, not before.

Incomplete Grades

Incomplete grades count as Failing grades for eligibility until the incomplete is filled in.

Courses Taken For No Credit

A student who repeats work upon which he/she has once received credit cannot count that course a second time for eligibility. Courses taken for no credit cannot be counted toward eligibility.

User Fees

The school committee will establish user fees from time to time. User fees will be used to help fund the total athletic program (i.e. transportation, officials, uniforms, equipment, and the like). The payment of user fees does not guarantee playing time. This fee must be paid at the specified time a student receives their uniform. Students may drop out prior to uniform distribution with out being responsible for the user fee. Students will be responsible for payment of the user fee if they continue to participate beyond receiving a team uniform.

Families in financial need may request a waiver from the user fee. However, written documentation supporting the waiver must be submitted to the athletic director by the end of the second week of practice. Waivers will be granted under the following criteria:

- a. Eligibility for free or reduced lunch.
- b. Extenuating family circumstances.

Changing Teams or Late Participation

Changing teams or coming out for a team after the first two weeks of the season will not be permitted unless there are extenuating circumstances. The Principal and the Athletic Director will collectively decide on issues regarding participation after the first two weeks of the season.

Hazing

Massachusetts State Law prohibits hazing of any type. Hazing will be handled according to the school discipline code.

Taunting

Taunting includes any actions or comments by coaches, players, or spectators that are intended to bait, anger, embarrass, ridicule or demean others. Included is conduct that berates, needles, intimidates or threatens based on race, gender, ethnic origin or background, and/or conduct that attacks religious beliefs, size, economic status, speech, family, special needs or personal matters.

Examples of taunting include but are not limited to: "trash talk", defined as verbal communication of a personal nature directed by a competitor to an opponent by ridiculing his/her skill efforts, sexual orientation, or lack of success, which is likely to provoke an altercation or physical response; and physical intimidation outside the spirit of the game, including "in the face" confrontation by one player to another and standing over/straddling a tackled or fallen player.

In all sports, officials are to consider taunting a flagrant unsportsmanlike foul that disqualifies the offending bench personnel or contestant from that contest/day of competition. In addition, the offender shall be subject to existing MIAA expulsion rules. Game officials will give a warning to both teams prior to the contest.

At all MIAA contest sites and tournament venues, appropriate management may give spectators one warning for taunting. Thereafter, spectators who taunt players, coaches, game officials, or other spectators are subject to ejection.

Chemical Health (MIAA Rule 62)

62. Student (and Coach) Eligibility: Chemical Health/Alcohol/Drugs/Tobacco

62.1 *From the earliest fall practice date, to the conclusion of the academic year or final athletic event (whichever is latest), as student shall not, regardless of the quantity, use, consume, possess, buy/sell, or give away any beverage containing alcohol; any tobacco product; marijuana; steroids; or any controlled substance. This policy includes products such as "NA or near beer". It is not a violation for a student to be in possession of a legally defined drug specifically prescribed for the student's own use by his/her doctor.*

This MIAA statewide minimum standard is not intended to render "guilt by association", e.g. many student athletes might be present at a party where only a few violate this standard. This rule represents only a minimum standard upon which schools may develop more stringent requirements.

If a student in violation of this rule is unable to participate in interscholastic sports due to injury or academics, the penalty will not take effect until that student is able to participate again.

Minimum PENALTIES:

First violation: *When the Principal confirms, following an opportunity for the student to be heard, that a violation occurred, the student shall lose eligibility for the next consecutive interscholastic contests totaling 25% of all interscholastic contests in that sport. For the student, these penalties will be determined by the season the violation occurs. No exception is permitted for a student who becomes a participant in a treatment program. It is recommended rehabilitation. All decimal part of an event will be truncated i.e. All fractional part of an event will be dropped when calculating the 25% of the season.*

Second and subsequent violations: *When the Principal confirms, following an opportunity for the student to be heard, that a violation occurred, the student shall lose eligibility for the next consecutive interscholastic contests totaling 60% of all interscholastic contests in that sport. For the student, these penalties will be determined by the season the*

violation occurs. All decimal part of an event will be truncated i.e. All fractional part of an event will be dropped when calculating the 60% of the season. If after the second or subsequent violations the student of his/her own volition becomes a participant in an approved chemical dependency program or treatment program, the student may be certified for reinstatement in MIAA activities after a minimum of 40% of events. The director or a counselor of a chemical dependency treatment center must issue such certification. All decimal part of an event will be truncated i.e. All fractional part of an event will be dropped when calculating the 40% of the season. Penalties shall be cumulative each academic year. If the penalty period is not completed during the season of violation, the penalty shall carry over to the student's next season of actual participation, which may affect the eligibility status of the student during the next academic year.

1st Offense

of Events / Season # of Events / Penalty

1-7 games = 1 game suspension

8-11 = 2

12-15 = 3

16-19 = 4

20 or over = 5

2nd Offense

of Events / Season # of Events / Penalty

1-3 games = 1 game suspension

4 = 2

5-6 = 3

7-8 = 4

9 = 5

10-11 = 6

12-13 = 7

14 = 8

15-16 = 9

17-18 = 10

19 = 11

20 or over = 12

2nd Offense w/Dependency Program

of Events / Season # of Events / Penalty

1-4 games = 1 game suspension - 5-7 games = 2 game suspension

8-9 = 3 game suspension, 10-12 = 4 game suspension, 13-14 = 5 game suspension 15-17 = 6 game suspension, 18-19 = 7 game suspension and 20 or over = 8

62.3 Steroid Use - Anabolic androgenic steroid use at the high school level is of grave concern. Steroids are used by some athletes, and the seriousness of the problem has been well documented. *A recent study indicates that over 3% of high school seniors have tried steroids in their lifetime (NIDA, 2004).* High school coaches may not be able to prevent the use of steroids altogether, but they can clearly and forcefully discourage their use. Coaches should take a proactive role, learning about steroids, and then providing this information to their athletes. Steroids can, with proper diet and weight training, increase muscle development; however, as is typical with most "get-rich-quick" schemes, steroid use has serious short and long term consequences. Normal and equal musculature development can occur without steroid use. Although the natural process takes longer, muscle tone will last longer and does not carry the harmful side effects of steroids. Most coaches would not promote steroid use intentionally. Total silence by Coaches however condone use in some young people's minds. Even though Steroids may not be mentioned when it is suggested to an athlete that his/her Success is limited only by a lack of weight and/or strength, without a Disclaimer the statement can be a motivation to use steroids. The pervasiveness of the drugs that allow for development of increased weight under the aforementioned circumstances is a coercive power that is difficult for young athletes to resist without knowing what the side effects of the drugs may be. The issue goes beyond protecting the integrity of sport. The use of steroids in sports is cheating. We must oppose the use of steroids for both health and ethical reasons.

Tournament Participation/Bona Fide Team Members (MIAA Rule 99)

A Bona Fide team member of a school team is a student who is consistently present for, and actively participates in, all high school team sessions (e.g. practices, tryouts, competitions). Bona fide members of a school team are precluded from missing a high school practice or competition in order to participate in a non-school athletic activity/event in any sport recognized by the MIAA. First Offense: Student athlete is suspended for 25% of the season (see chart on Rule 62). Second Offense: Student athlete is suspended an additional 25% of the season, and is ineligible for tournament play immediately upon confirmation of the violation.

School Suspensions

Any student suspended from school may not practice, play or be with the team on the day(s) in which they are serving the suspension.

School Attendance

1. In order for a student to participate in a practice or game, he/she must be in school by 8:00 a.m.
2. If a student is to be excused after 8:00 a.m., a note from a parent to the athletic director must be submitted 24 hours in advance explaining the reason for the excuse.
 - a. Only medical, funeral services and legal excuses will be accepted.
 - b. If the note is not submitted, the student will not be allowed to participate in the practice or game on the day he/she is excused.
 - c. Violations of this rule may also result in further game and practice suspensions.
 - d. In emergency situations, the athletic director may waive this rule after consultation with parents.

Transportation

The Athletic Department will provide transportation to away games. Parents are responsible for providing transportation to all home games.

All team members are required to travel to and from all away events using transportation provided by the athletic department. In the event of an emergency or critical family matters, a written request may be presented to the coach for students to be transported to or from contests by parents. Under no circumstances will students be allowed to transport themselves or ride with other students to or from away games.

In the event of a medical emergency, it will be the coach's responsibility to arrange emergency transportation for medical services to the local hospital. Whenever possible, coaches should use EMS transportation rather than personal vehicles or vehicles of other parents or spectators. The coach will work in conjunction with the parents if they are present.

Equipment

All students are responsible for all equipment issued to them. Equipment must be returned at the end of the season and prior to the beginning of the next season. If equipment is not returned, the student will be held financially responsible for the replacement of the equipment at the replacement cost.

Captain's Practices

Captain's practices are not sponsored or authorized by the South Hadley School Committee. No practice is to be conducted without adult supervision.

SEASON LIMITS

The fall season must not begin before the Monday preceding Labor Day for all fall sports (except as specified for football). The fall season must end with completion of the regular season schedule except for the varsity team or individual students completing their participation in any MIAA tournaments.

Winter season will begin on the first Monday in December and conclude on the last scheduled dual competition unless teams qualify for post-season competition.

Spring season begins on the third Monday in March and concludes with the last scheduled dual competition unless teams qualify for post-season competition.

INSURANCE

The South Hadley School Department carries an insurance policy that covers all athletes. This policy picks up where family health insurance or an HMO stops payment with significant limits. **It's important to note that the South Hadley School Department does not cover the rest of the payment but only a limited amount.** You will need to consult with the business office and insurance company for more information. All claims as a result of an athletic participation injury should be done through the athletic director at the time of the incident. However, the school policy will not pay until all benefits of the family program have been exhausted.

THE CUT PROCESS

Throughout the year, a team may have more students try out than can be reasonably kept on the team. Justification for cutting students from a team includes but is not limited to:

- a. Maintaining a safe player/coach ratio.
- b. Maintaining a number of students that will be able to get fair playing time.
- c. **Maintaining appropriate skill level for the competition.**
- d. Displaying a positive attitude, high level of effort and respect for teammates and coaches during tryouts.

In all cases where it is necessary to cut students from a team, the coach will establish fair and reasonable criteria for keeping students on the team. His/her decision will be final. In all cases, every effort will be made to keep as many players as possible.

PLAYING TIME

There is a difference in philosophy between varsity and junior varsity with regard to playing time.

Junior Varsity

This is a developmental level where students learn skills and prepare for varsity competition. It is expected that skills and strategies of the game will be taught and emphasized. It is also expected that all players will be given a fair and equitable opportunity to play in competition to develop their potential and to demonstrate their readiness for varsity level competition. However, participation will be based on commitment, desire, attitude, respect for others, attendance at practice, sportsmanship, and skill level. At all times, safety will be the first priority.

Varsity

This level of athletics should present the best South Hadley High School has to offer for competition against other schools. There is a greater emphasis upon winning. Participation will be based on demonstrated skills and strategies of the game, along with attitude, attendance, commitment to the program, and sportsmanship. The varsity coach will make all decisions regarding playing time. However, it is understood that all varsity players will get playing time whenever possible. At all times, safety will be the first priority.

ORGANIZING A NEW TEAM

In order to institute a new sport the following criteria must be met:

- **Student Interest** - There must be student interest in an activity. Students or parents should submit a petition to the athletic director six months prior to the season of any sport. The petition should include the names of any students interested in making a commitment to participate in the new sport.
- **Schedule** - In order to implement a new sport, it must be possible to create a schedule. (i.e. other schools must have a league or schedule that can accommodate South Hadley High School.)
- **Coach** - The services of a coach must be secured to manage the day-to-day operation of the new team.
- **Financing** - Money must be available to fund any new team.

- **Facility** - There must be an available facility where any new team can practice and play their games.
- **Gender Equity** - There must be a balance between what is offered to boys and girls within the athletic program as stipulated under Federal Law 622 and Title IX.

Upon receiving the petition for the creation of a new team, the Athletic Director will investigate the feasibility of a schedule, coach, facility, and develop a budget for the new sport. He/she will also investigate compliance with Title IX and Chapter 622. He/she will submit a report and a recommendation to the principal who will forward his recommendation to the Superintendent and School Committee for approval.

Prior to requesting approval to become a High School team, it is recommended that organization begin at the club level outside of the High School to develop student interest and a level of skill that is at least equivalent to the Junior Varsity level.

ATHLETIC CONSENT AND RELEASE FORM*

Athlete Name _____ Year of Graduation _____

Sport _____ School Year _____ Age _____

Address _____ Birth Date _____

Notice of Athletic Injury Risk

Participation in athletics is inherently dangerous. Even when all reasonable precautions are taken, students can be and, indeed, may be injured. All students participate in athletics voluntarily with the permission of their parents or guardians. Along with this participation, the student athletes and their parents/guardians accept the inherent risk to which athletics exposes them.

Athletic consent and release of liability

I, _____ the parent/guardian of _____ a minor have read and I understand the above concerning participation in interscholastic athletics at South Hadley High School. I do hereby consent to this student athlete's participation in voluntary athletic programs and do forever release, acquit, discharge and covenant to hold harmless the Town of South Hadley and the South Hadley Public Schools from any and all actions, causes of action, claims or suits of any kind and nature arising out of, either directly or indirectly, all known and unknown personal injuries or property damage which I may now or hereafter have as the parent/guardian of the above-referenced minor child, and also all claims or right of action for damages which the minor has or may hereafter acquire, either before or after his/her majority resulting from his/her participation in the South Hadley Public Schools voluntary athletic programs.

This release form does not release the school from any negligence. However, this form, with your signature, verifies that you are aware that various injuries do occur while participating in athletics.

Lastly, by signing this form, both the parent/guardian and student athlete have received and read the Student Athlete Athletic Handbook describing the policies, rules and regulations of the South Hadley School Department.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

* This form is required **before the student-athlete can participate in any sport season.**