ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT GUIDEBOOK



BARTRAM TRAIL HIGH SCHOOL

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

- To develop a well-rounded individual by teaching the importance of practice and preparation in reaching the student athlete's potential.
- ❖ To provide our student athletes with guidelines and assistance in developing academic success.
- To provide, through competition, the development of a strong character, leadership qualities, and good citizenship.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT CONTACT INFORMATION

Athletic Director: Ben Windle

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Athletic Assistant: Kim Dohman

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❖ Athletic Trainer: Shelly Vann

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Forms

- Paperless format
 - The athletic clearance process is completed fully online through athleticclearance.com
 - Directions can be found on the BTHS Athletic website under "Quick Links".

PAY TO PARTICIPATE

- ❖ A fee of \$150 will be assessed to each Athlete for each sport that they participate in.
- This fee will be due when the athlete makes the team and must be paid prior to the student-athlete participating in their first contest.
- This fee helps cover the cost of officials, transportation, equipment, uniforms, field maintenance etc.

INJURIES

- Injuries should be reported to our Athletic Trainer Shelly Vann as soon as the injury is discovered.
- If you visit a doctor, a note must be brought back to the Coach or Athletic Trainer with instructions from the doctor regarding any possible limitations for clearing the athlete to participate again.
- Bartram Trail High School does not endorse any particular physician.

INSURANCE

- St. Johns County School District has a secondary insurance policy for student-athletes who sustain an injury while participating in a sport sponsored/supervised BT activity.
- ❖ You have 90 days to file from the injury date.
- If you have any questions, please reach out to our Athletic Assistant, Kim Dohman.

<u>Transportation</u>

- Transportation is provided by the Athletic Department on most school days.
- Athletes must ride home with the team bus if a parent cannot provide transportation.

ELIGIBILITY

- ❖ Students must have a 2.0 cumulative GPA unweighted.
- Eligibility is determined on a semester basis (not 9 week) and is final on the first day of each semester.

<u>NCAA ELIGIBILITY</u>

- You must register with the NCAA if you plan to play in college by 11th grade.
- ❖ You must have a minimum of a 2.3 GPA.
- Registration link can be found on the BT Athletics website under "Quick Links".

<u>Communication</u>

- Protocol
 - Athlete communicates with Coaching Staff
 - Parent communicates with Coaching Staff
 - Parents communicates with Athletic Director
- 24-hour rule
 - Under no circumstances should a parent address a Coach until 24 hours after the completion of a contest/game.
- Do not address Officials or Coaches during or after a contest/game.
- Parents who fail to follow these rules will be subject to a 1 calendar year ban.

BT SOCIAL MEDIA

- BT Athletics
 - Twitter: @BT_athletics
 - > Instagram: @BT athletics
- BBABC
 - Facebook: BT Athletic Boosters
 - ➤ Twitter: @BTboosters

BOOSTERS

- The Bartram Bears Athletic Booster Club (BBABC) supports all athletic teams on campus. Recently the BBABC contributed to the following: athletic uniforms, athletic field maintenance, new athletic signage, new lacrosse wall, new pole vault pit, new scoreboards for volleyball, basketball, softball and baseball, new soccer goals, new gymnasium sound system, new weight room, revitalization of baseball/softball complex, new lockers, new volleyball standards, gymnasium score table, new practice field goal post, new sound system for stadium field and practice field, state championship rings, wrestling room remodel, new video boards for the football stadium and gymnasium, swim team timing system, playoff transportation, lodging, baseball/softball dugouts, windscreens, backstops, etc.
- Parents can support the BBABC by:
 - Becoming members
 - Attending meetings
 - Volunteering at apparel stands (must be an approved volunteer)
 - Supporting fundraisers

SPECIFIC RULES

- Any athlete who quits a team will not be permitted to play on another team until the end of the season of the team he/she quit.
- An athlete suspended out of school is automatically suspended from the team until their suspension has been served.
 - The Athletic Director may administer further punishment if the student code of conduct has been broken.
- An athlete may participate simultaneously on more than one team provided permission is granted by all coaches concerned.
- Any student assigned detention must report the detention to their coach and attend said detention. DETENTION TAKES PRECEDENCE OVER TEAM PRACTICE OR GAMES.

STUDENT-ATHLETE CODE OF CONDUCT

- ❖ Alcohol/Drugs: No student-athlete shall knowingly attend any party or other social gathering where underage drinking and drug use occurs. This rule is intended to apply to gatherings that consist primarily of students and student age individuals where underage drinking is occurring, usually without the knowledge or acquiescence of the parents, and shall not apply to events such as a wedding, family reunion, or the like.
- ❖ It shall not be a defense to this rule that a gathering of students at which alcohol and drugs are consumed was sanctioned by any parent or held with parental consent. It is the <u>attendance</u> at such gatherings this is prohibited by this rule. Actual consumption of alcohol or use of drugs is not a prerequisite to establish a violation of this rule. Any student-athlete who is found to have voluntarily remained in the vicinity of a gathering prohibited by this section shall be guilty of a violation of this rule whether or not he or she consumes or uses any prohibited substance.

- No student-athlete will be deemed to have violated this rule if he or she can show to the satisfaction of the school Principal, Athletic Director and Head Coach that, immediately upon becoming aware that underage drinking and/or drug use is present at a party or social gathering, he/she completely removed himself/herself form the place where the party or social gathering was held, including parking areas.
- Refer to the SJCSD Student Code of Conduct for disciplinary procedure.

FINES

Any fines assessed by the FHSAA because of an action of a student-athlete/parent will be paid for by the student-athlete/parent. The student will not be allowed to participate in a contest/game until such fine is paid.

9.9.2 FORFEITURE OF AMATEUR STATUS

- A student-athlete forfeits amateur status in a particular sport for one year by:
 - Competing for money or other monetary compensations
 - Receiving any award or prize of monetary value which has not been approved by the FHSAA
 - Capitalizing on athletic fame by receiving money or gifts of a monetary nature
 - Signing a professional playing contract in any sport or hiring an agent to manage his/her athletic career
 - Competing under an assumed name.

9.9.3 <u>PERMISSIBLE AWARDS, GIFTS, OR OTHER</u> COMPENSATION

- A student-athlete will not forfeit his/her amateur status for accepting:
 - Symbolic awards such as school letters, medals, trophies, plaques, pins, keys, or ribbons of small monetary value purchased from an established award company
 - Rings, sweaters, jackets, or award blankets provided that they are presented by the school which they represent and do not exceed the value of the purchase price from an established award company
 - Remuneration of "essential expenses" for any game in which he/she participates as a player; limited to meals, lodging, and transportation
 - ➤ A college scholarship offer



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