

COMBS HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL PARENT/PLAYER CONTRACT AND RULES FOR 2010-2011 SEASON

This AGREEMENT of PARTNERSHIP is made as of AUGUST 1st by and between the undersigned Partners.

I. GRADES

a) Grade Check Procedure (**READ CAREFULLY**):

- **Friday:** Student/athletes will obtain grade check from a coach. This grade check will be for the following week. **Example:** Players will pick up grade check **August 19th** for the **August 22nd** grade check.
- **Monday:** Student/athletes will place grade check on teacher's desk without conversation. Students will obtain grades for ALL classes.
- **Tuesday:** Student/athletes will place grade check on teacher's desk without conversation. This day is designed for any grades not obtained (Monday)
- **Wednesday:** Student/athletes will hand-in grade checks to their FOOTBALL STUDY HALL TEACHER
- **Football Study Hall Teacher Assignments (regardless of grade level):**

Study Hall begins 5 minutes after the last school bell rings. It will last 45 minutes.

Paul Schreel: A through H

Jesse Hart: I through N

Rick Benjamin: O through S

Travis Miller: T through Z

Academic concerns THAT ARE NOT ACCEPTED:

- **VACATIONS DURING FALL BREAK ARE UNEXCUSED ABSENCES.**
- **If your son is having difficulty in class due to disruptive behavior** and this behavior causes him to be tardy or miss practice.
- **School Projects/Tests** – Rarely (IF EVER), will a teacher schedule a major project and make it due the next day. If your son is procrastinating and misses practice (to make up for lost time) it will be considered UNEXCUSED.
- **Non-Emergency Doctor Appointments:** Please complete these appointments before August 3rd (i.e. teeth cleaning, general check-ups, etc.). Most of these appointments should be completed before football season begins. There are exceptions.
- **"My son was late because of me".** – Your son will be accountable for showing up on time. I will provide your son with a roster of all football players for carpooling/communication purposes.

- **Disciplinary problems** – Your son is responsible for his actions. Therefore, if he misses practice (for school disciplinary reasons) it will be considered UNEXCUSED. Consequently, if Combs High School disciplines your son, WE will discipline your son.

II. Absences and Tardies

- a) Student/athletes are required to be punctual and present. Absences and tardies will affect playing time. The amount of playing time will be determined by the coaching staff.
- b) **There is no gray area.** As a coaching staff, we will NOT classify excused versus unexcused.
- c) Family emergencies, previously scheduled academic commitments (**athletes need to inform coaches 24 hours in advance, no exceptions**) and church functions are the only exceptions.
- d) The Combs Coaching Staff evaluates athletes on a daily basis. We base our analysis on the following: character (on/off the field), effort, punctuality, attendance, skill level, heart and honor. **If an athlete is late or absent we cannot evaluate them.**

III. Professionalism

- a) Heart, Honor and Respect: THE COYOTE MISSION
- b) We EXPECT our athletes to follow our mission. When our student/athletes are on the field, in the classroom and out in public we demand professionalism. No vulgar language, poor sportsmanship or disrespect will be tolerated. If we receive complaints about a student/athlete, the Combs High Coaching Staff will discipline that athlete. Discipline will vary based on the severity of the offense.
- c) Off-the-field decisions (drinking, smoking, school suspensions, etc.) will be dealt with quickly and definitively. We will follow Athletic Department Training Rules regarding mandatory suspensions.

IV. Drinking, drugs and smoking

- a) Negative occurrences = negative consequences.
- b) If a student/athlete drinks, smokes or uses drugs during the season, an automatic 3 game suspension will be handed down. This includes any student/athlete who is present when these violations occur.
- c) We understand that student/athletes make mistakes. If the student/athlete fulfills all requirements handed down by coaching staff, the suspension may be reduced. This reduction will be based on: attitude, adhering to Coyote Mission, attendance and punctuality.
- d) If the violation is repeated, the student/athlete will not be eligible for a reduction and will be dismissed from the team.

V. Parents/Concerns

a) Procedure for contacting coaches:

1. Position Coach (Quarterback, linemen, defensive backs, etc.)
2. Coordinator (offensive, defensive)
3. Head Coach
4. Athletic Director

Playing Time Philosophy and Coaching Rubric

- We will do our best to get every player into the game (provided they follow team rules).
- WE will always start the best player at each position (provided they follow team rules).
- Players of equal ability will share playing time.
- Every young man in our program will have a purpose.
- Ideally WE would like 22 starters. However, this is not always a reality. The first team has a responsibility to play hard for their teammates.
- WE will film most practices and all games. Our coaching staff will evaluate each player based on the following criteria:
 1. How he follows team guidelines.
 2. His effort in all phases of our program.
 3. Technique and skill level.

We are all passionate when it comes to our children. I understand this passion because I have two daughters of my own. However, there are appropriate and inappropriate times for us to talk. I would prefer to avoid "heat of the moment" situations (during or after games/practices).

This procedure will allow parents to contact a coach that has an intimate knowledge of your son's attitude, skill level and effort.

Player and Parent (Printed Name)	(Signature)	Date Signed