

LITITZ CHRISTIAN SCHOOL



Athletic Handbook

Athletics:

Lititz Christian School is a member of the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association (PIAA) and participates in the Commonwealth Christian Athletic Conference (CCAC).

For students in Grades 6-12 the following School Sponsored Sports are offered:

Fall: Boys Soccer
Girls Volleyball

Winter: Boys Basketball
Girls Basketball

Spring: Track and Field (Boys and Girls)
Girls Soccer (Gr. 9-12 only through Spring of 2012)

Cooperative Sponsorship: Lititz Christian has formed a cooperative sponsorship for athletics with Warwick High School. This agreement allows Lititz Christian students to participate on Warwick High School teams **ONLY** in sports that our school **DOES NOT** offer. The sponsorship allows students to play: Golf, Football, Tennis, Cross Country, Swimming, Wrestling, Baseball, Softball, and Lacrosse for Warwick teams.

VARSITY LETTER GUIDELINES:

1. Students must be in grades 9 – 12 to earn a letter.
2. Students must be at all scheduled games and practices (exceptions include sickness and other emergencies).
3. Students will lose eligibility for lettering when they are taken off the team at any time because of discipline problems.
4. Students will lose eligibility for lettering if they are placed on Academic Probation at any point during the season.
5. Letters **WILL BE** awarded to managers of the team.

Letter Jackets: A Varsity Athlete who has received **four total** Varsity letters from any sport and who maintains a **GPA of 2.5 or higher** is eligible to purchase a letter jacket.

Cost: The school will pay for half of the jacket and the family will pay for the other half of jacket (**your cost is \$90.00**). The school provides the letter that will be embroidered on the jacket.

When: After the student receives their fourth letter they will be given an order form to order their jacket. They could potentially receive Winter of Sophomore year at earliest. The orders are done through Schuylkill Valley Sports in Lititz.

ATHLETE GUIDELINES:

1. All athletes are required to have a physical examination in which the Doctor completes the CIPPE form declaring them ready to play. The form can be found by going to www.piaa.org (Sections 1-4 are needed of this form). For VARSITY ATHLETES ONLY they must complete Section 5 of the CIPPE form when participating in second or third sport of the same school year.
2. All athletes are required to complete an emergency information form in order to participate.
3. All athletes are required to pay a sports fee of \$55.00 for each season in which they participate.
4. The Athlete and Parent must read and sign the Parent/Player Agreement stating that they are aware of all expectations of them for the season.
5. Students are required to be in school by 11:00 a.m. on game days in order to be eligible to participate in the game. Students attending a field trip or college visit are permitted to play in a game on that day.
6. All athletes will be instructed to dress nicely on certain game days. Dress code for those game days:
Girls - dress or skirt
Boys - shirt (tucked in), tie (tied properly), and no jeans
7. All athletes are expected to work to their full potential in classroom work. Anyone who is on academic or disciplinary probation will be ineligible to play in games. Academic Probation lasts for a full two weeks, at that point they will be considered for re-entry into games.
8. Athletes should watch the kind of food they eat, avoiding junk food.
9. Academic Eligibility: No F's in major subjects, one D in major subjects. (AP= 1 F or 2 D's in major subject areas).

SPORTSMANSHIP:

1. Watch your attitude. Christ is watching us and we play for Him. Act like representatives of Jesus Christ. Any athlete whose actions have been detrimental to spiritual objectives of the school will be disciplined.
2. Fellowship with opponents, and congratulate opponents after the game. Do not belittle opponents.
3. Do not use vulgar or demeaning language toward opponents, referees, fans or other coaches. Disciplinary measures will be taken if this happens.
4. Do not intentionally break the rules of the game.
5. Do not lose your temper or become uncontrolled.
6. Any athlete who receives a technical foul or yellow card will immediately be removed from the game. The coach will then decide how long to keep the player out of the game. All yellow cards and technical fouls will be reported to the Athletic Director.

7. If a player gets red carded, (ejected) from the game, he/she will sit out at least one game. A meeting will be held with the coach, Athletic Director and the Administrator to decide disciplinary action.

FACILITIES:

1. Always leave the area cleaner than you found it. All trash should be picked up. After practices and games, make sure everything is back where it belongs, and locked up.
2. Locker rooms should be checked after practices and games.
3. Report any damaged/broken equipment immediately to your coach.
4. Cleats are NEVER to be worn inside the building. You must put cleats on outside, not in the locker room or hallways. If an athlete needs to return to the building, muddy shoes should be taken off before entering. Athletes should not stamp mud off on the sidewalks.
5. Food and drink will not enter the auditorium during athletic use. This includes gum and other small candies. Drinking water may be brought into the auditorium.
6. Only non-marring court shoes will be worn in the auditorium.
7. Athletes should not prop open any doors leading into the building at any time!

UNIFORM:

1. Soccer socks can be purchased from the athletic department. Prices are to be determined each year.
2. Wash uniforms in COLD water with NO BLEACH, and hang them to dry.
3. Uniforms that are damaged or destroyed due to player negligence will be the responsibility of the player. Players will be notified of the monetary amount necessary to replace the damaged uniform.
4. At the end of the season, uniforms are to be laundered and returned to the athletic office as soon as possible. All uniforms are due two weeks after the last game. Athletes returning uniforms after this due date will receive a demerit. Uniforms should be bagged and labeled with the athlete's name for easy identification.

LC SPORTS AWARDS:

At the conclusion of each school year Lititz Christian will have an evening to honor all of the Athletes for their hard work put forth during their season(s). Athletes will be given certificates of participation and also various awards will be given out by their coaches for deserving athletes.