**Peet Junior High Football Student and Parent Contract**

This contract has been designed to bring total understanding among student participants, their parents, and school personnel. We ask that all participants and parents read and sign this contract, indicating full knowledge of the rules, regulations, and commitment that is required when participating in football at Peet Junior High School.

The rules stated in this contract have been established to assure the successful operation of our football program. These rules are set to assure fairness for all involved. The following are the Basic rules of Behavior for all participants in the Peet Junior High School Football Program. **Failure to follow the guidelines outlined in this student contract can result in loss of participation or removal from the team.**

**PHILOSOPHY OF PEET FOOTBALL**

All students are encouraged to achieve their fullest academic potential. While football and other extracurricular programs provide opportunities to develop other skills and knowledge outside the classroom, students are expected to study and learn to the best of their ability in the classroom and other instructional environments. Therefore, the School Board has established academic, behavioral and attendance standards to guide students. Our primary purpose as football coaches is to help you grow as a person. In order to be successful, however, you must commit toward the same goal by following the rules set forth. We sincerely hope that you enjoy your experience and live up to these responsibilities.

**RULES**

The participant should keep in mind that they are representing their school, community and family and as such students should act in a manner that is responsible and respectful towards your peers, opponents, coaches and spectators.

* Be fair at all times, no matter what it costs.
* Be obedient to the rules.
* Work for the good of the team or the program.
* Accept the decision of the coaches, officials or program leaders.
* Be gracious in competing whether you win or lose.
* Conduct yourself at all times with honor and dignity.

**ACADEMICS**

In keeping with Peet Junior High School student policy of academics First and UIL regulations, it is expected that each student will have successfully passed every subject with no lower than a 70% in all classes during the previous grading period and throughout the season or period of the activity. Also, students must have an attendance rate of 80% or better from the previous grading period and throughout the season or period of activity. Students must attend school for at least half the school day to participate in activities or events. Any student absent on the day of a scheduled event or activity will not be able to participate in the activity or event. Additionally, students will be dismissed from the football program for accruing a combination of five detentions or any suspensions previous to, and during the period of the activity.

 **Citizenship and sportsmanship**

In the eyes of the teacher and the public, citizenship is synonymous with sportsmanship. Any act of unsportsmanlike or inappropriate conduct practices, games or program events may lead to immediate disciplinary action, which may include suspension or dismissal from the team or program.

**PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS (FOR ATHLETIC TEAMS)**

A physical examination is required of all athletes prior to tryouts and must be on file with the athletic coordinator and coach. All physicals must be no more than one year old and maintain current throughout the season. It is the responsibility of the student to have it on file with the athletic department. An athlete must present a physical prior to participation in any sport, once a physical is on file it is used for all sports that the student participates in.

**PROFANITY/ TAUNTING**

Swearing, abusive language, racial slurs, and taunting will not be permitted at any time. This may result in disciplinary action by a coach, athletic coordinator and/or administrator.

**NO SMOKING OR OTHER USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS**

Smoking or any use of tobacco products at any time will not be allowed. Possession and / or use will result in immediate suspension or removal from the team or program. Additional consequences beyond athletic teams/programs may be imposed at the discretion of the administration.

**NO ALCOHOL OR OTHER DRUGS**

The use or sale of drugs or alcohol will not be allowed. Possession and/or use will result in immediate suspension from the team or program. Additional consequences beyond athletic teams/programs may be imposed at the discretion of the administration.

**CARE OF TEAM EQUIPMENT, UNIFORMS, AND LOCKER ROOMS (FOR ATHLETICS)**

All athletic gear is on loan to the athlete and you are personally responsible for its care and return. Any Peet issued equipment left out around the school/practice field will not be loaned back out once picked up by a coach. All Items should be locked in the locker and secured daily.

**BUILDING AND GYMNASIUM (FOR ATHLETICS)**

Parents, siblings, and students are encouraged to attend the school athletic events. Only players are allowed in the locker room. Spectators need to remain in the gym or outside the locker room.

**TRANSPORTATION**

All athletes are expected to travel to and from football games with the team. No athletes will be allowed to leave games early. Once both teams finish games, we will depart at the same time to Peet.

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**PRACTICE/GAME ATTENDANCE**

Regular attendance at all practices, games and events along with promptness is imperative. Since we have only three practices before a game we have put in a week by week policy attendance policy.

* Parents are not allowed on the practice field during practice
* Parents are not allowed on the sideline before, during, or immediately after games

**\* Any player with one unexcused absence from practice will sit out for one half of the following game. Any player who misses two practices for any reason, excused or unexcused will sit out the following complete game.**

**\* A parent note will excuse a player from participating in practice for up to three days. If two or more days are missed or the player does not participate in two or more practices he / she will not be allowed to play in the following game.**

**INJURIES** Be sure to report all injuries to your coach or assistant no matter how minor they may seem.

**Conclusion**

The primary purpose of our football program here at Peet Junior High School is to develop individual and collective “winners.” The individual who is a “winner” continually strives to become a more useful and loyal member of their society. He / she has a desire to achieve excellence and strive to live a more healthful and purposeful life. He/she has high respect for the dignity of other students and is always willing to make personal sacrifices for the benefit of the program.

Signature Page:

I acknowledge that I have read, understand, and will abide by the rules of the above Peet Junior High School Extracurricular Activities Contract.

Parent Signature Date

Student Signature Date