

Beverley Manor Middle School

Athletic Handbook



The Wildcat Way

"Wildcats are Responsible, Respectful, Kind and Safe"

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Mission Statement

The goal at Beverley Manor Middle School is to provide a safe, competitive, and educational environment for all student-athletes who participate in middle school athletics. We will emphasize the importance of good grades, positive behavior, sportsmanship, and hard work. Possessing these traits will represent Beverley Manor Middle School and our student athletes proudly.

Student-Athlete Expectations

All team members must adhere to the Augusta County policy regarding good academic standing to participate in practices and games. If not, the athlete will miss any practices and games until good academic standing is restored.

School behavior is an important part of being a good student-athlete. Student athletes will maintain positive behavior both on the court, in the classrooms, and while at school. Student-athletes not maintaining appropriate behavior will be subject to limited playing time, being benched from practices and/or games, and/or removal from the team.

Student-athletes will be required to attend all practices and games. By making the team, the student has committed their time and effort to improve as a student athlete.

Coach's expectations will be communicated to each athlete and adhered to. Violations can be met with a loss of playing time, suspension from a game, and/or other consequences.

Coaching Expectations

The coach of a middle school athletic team is responsible for the health and safety of all individuals involved with the team during practices and games. This person is also responsible for communicating to student-athletes and parents, in a positive and professional manner. The coach is charged with teaching fundamentals and skills to the sport which they coach and allowing for full participation, while keeping a competitive atmosphere and maintaining positive sportsmanship among all involved. A coach must show positive sportsmanship to all players, coaches, officials, and fans, and teach, reinforce, and expect his/her athletes to do the same.

Academic Requirements

All student-athletes participating in middle school athletics must have and maintain passing grades in 6 out of 7 classes. Progress report grades and report card grades will be checked to ensure each student is performing to these standards in the classroom. During the athletic season, if a student-athlete drops below this requirement, they will be ineligible to play the remainder of the season.

Medical Requirements

All student-athletes must turn in a current VHSL physical form before they can participate in tryouts. Documents will need to be turned in to the head coach or Athletic Coordinator for Middle School Sports. The Athletic Coordinator is required to maintain proper records of all student-athletes to ensure they are in good standing with these medical requirements. Documents will be accessible as a hard copy in the school and through a downloadable version on the middle school's website.

Parent/Spectator Expectations

Middle School Athletics is designed to showcase the school spirit of each middle school. Parents and spectators are expected to show positive sportsmanship to all players, fans, and school/game officials. Positive sportsmanship should be demonstrated by all adults in order to teach our students the value of this character trait. Failure to do so could result in being asked to leave the contest, meeting with the Athletic Coordinator/Administration, and possible suspension from further contests.

Building Supervision

The head coach must remain on the school campus during games and practices until all players have been picked up by a parent or guardian. The head coach is responsible for the safety and well-being of all persons on their team.

Practice/Game Requirements for Student-Athletes

All practices and games have mandatory attendance. Students who commit to the tryout process have committed to the program (if selected). Excessive absences or misbehavior at practices and games can result in consequences by the head coach and will be communicated to parents. Students are expected to follow the four pillars at Beverley Manor Middle School and be responsible, respectful, kind and safe.

Student-Athlete Suspensions

If a student-athlete receives any type of suspension (Out-of-School Suspension, In-School Suspension or Bus Suspension) the Coach and Athletic Coordinator will hold a meeting with that student-athlete to discuss better choices in the future. Any student-athlete receiving any type of suspension may lose the privilege of participating on the middle school team for the remainder of that sport season.

Transportation

All student-athletes will travel as a team on an Augusta County School bus to games. Student athletes are expected to ride the bus to all competitions. Students may be picked up at the away game site by a parent or guardian, however they must sign the student athlete out with the head coach. If a team member misses the bus, they will not be allowed to play in the game.

Communication

General questions and concerns for the general athletic program can be directed to the Athletic Coordinator. For questions specific to the student-athlete's team, please communicate with the coach at an appropriate time.

Coaches can use email and/or messaging apps to contact parents with a practice schedule, game schedule, and any changes that may occur due to cancellations, postponements, or other changes.

In concerns arise, we ask that parents/guardians email the coach to set up a meeting to discuss issues. Please do not attempt to have this type of discussion at or following a game. If the issue cannot be resolved with the team coach, a meeting with the Athletic Coordinator and/or school Administration may be requested.

School Attendance on Practice and Game Days

In order to attend a practice or play in a game, a student must attend at least half of their classes on the day of the practice or game. Any student absent a half day or more, unexcused, will be ineligible to participate in any school sponsored co/extracurricular activity that day. Any field trips or activities approved by the school constitute attendance in school. Any other reasons, such as but not limited to, funerals, doctor, or medical appointments, must be approved by the Coach or Athletic Coordinator prior to the date of occurrence.

Augusta County Member and Participating Schools

Beverley Manor Middle School

58 Cedar Green Road, Staunton, VA 24401

(540) 886-5806

S. G. Stewart Middle School

118 Fort Defiance Road, Fort Defiance, VA 24437

(540) 245-5046

Stuarts Draft Middle School

1088 Augusta Farms Road, Stuarts Draft, VA 24477

(540) 946-7611

Wilson Middle School

232 Hornet Road, Fishersville, VA 22939

(540) 245-5185

Kate Collins Middle School

1625 Ivy Street, Waynesboro, VA 22980

(540) 946-4635

Shelburne Middle School

300 Grubert Avenue, Staunton, VA 24401

(540) 332-3930