Morrisville State College
Intercollegiate Code of Conduct

Student athletes representing Morrisville State College have a responsibility to conduct themselves in a manner that reflects well on Morrisville State College, the athletic department, and themselves. In every sense of the word student athletes are ambassadors for the college. The athletic department has established a standard for behavior for all student athletes participating in intercollegiate athletics which emphasize the importance of sportsmanship, appropriate conduct, and responsibilities that each athlete must accept when representing Morrisville State intercollegiate athletics.

It is the intention of the athletic department to achieve a level of behavior which reflects the department and Morrisville State College’s commitment to civility and appropriate conduct. This requires a commitment from each student athlete. In addition to the following rules specific team policies may be established which compliment overall department goals.

The violation of team or department rules, policies, or regulations may carry a penalty ranging from a temporary suspension to removal from the team.

*As a member of an athletic team, you represent the athletic department and Morrisville State College. All team members will conduct themselves in a respectful manner at all times, on campus and off.

*As a member of a Morrisville State College intercollegiate athletic team you are expected to exhibit outstanding sportsmanship and encourage teammates to do likewise.

*As a member of an intercollegiate athletic team you will obey all rules and regulations established by Morrisville State College, its department of athletics, and the NCAA.

*Any time a student athlete is arrested it will be treated seriously by the Athletic Department. Immediate suspension from the team is a possibility as well as other disciplinary action until all legal aspects of the matter in question have been resolved.

*Team members will follow all academic procedures established by the college and team rules with regard to academic expectations.

*Team members will utilize only college sponsored transportation to all intercollegiate athletic activities unless prior approval has been given from the director of athletics or his/her designee. Athletes may be released to the custody of a parent or legal guardian by the head coach.
On a team trip, or at any team related function, team members are prohibited from consuming alcohol products, tobacco, or using any illegal drugs. This includes travel to and from an event and any time the team is together in an official capacity.

Team members may not participate in any form of hazing or initiation. This is an illegal activity and will be treated in accordance with the disciplinary actions of any other violation of federal law.

Team members are prohibited from wearing any athletic department apparel or items promoting Morrisville State College Athletics in such way that would cast a negative light on the college and its athletic programs. This includes any on-line web-sites and commercial enterprises.

It is expected that all student athletes will conduct themselves in an ethical manner at all times. As stated in the NCAA manual, unethical conduct includes fraudulence in connection with entrance or placement, engaging in athletic competition under an assumed name, dishonesty in evading or violating NCAA regulations, or knowingly furnishing Morrisville State College or the NCAA with false information.

Student athletes are expected to attend all academic classes. In the event a practice session conflicts with a class students must attend the class session. In the event an athletic contest conflicts with a class the student athlete is expected to inform the faculty member of the conflict at least one day in advance and, if possible, negotiate terms for missing the class in question.

International Students Take Note: As an intercollegiate athletics participant it is vital that you check your health insurance status to be certain your family policy provides for international coverage and/or that you have established medical insurance through the purchase of the Morrisville State College health insurance plan to cover your athletic participation.

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Student Signature      Date

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Print Name