



FRANK HURT SECONDARY SCHOOL

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ATHLETICS INFORMATION LETTER

Dear Parent/Guardian and athletes,

This letter is being sent home with each student representing our school in athletics this year. It is intended to provide a brief overview of our athletic policies and expectations. Inter-scholastic athletics are of great importance to our school and enhance a student's secondary years. We offer a wide range of athletic opportunities for students, and it is hoped that by understanding the following information, all parties will benefit greatly from their experiences.

Academics- Athletics **do not** take precedence over regular school requirements. Athletes should let their classroom teachers know in advance of absences from classes, as per school policy. Athletes must always be on time and present in all their classes. ***Failure to do so will result in suspension from the team.***

Behaviour- Being on a school team is a privilege, not a student's right. Athletes are ambassadors of our school. They are expected to be courteous and polite to everyone with whom they have contact, treat all property and equipment with care and respect and dress in a neat appropriate manner. They will demonstrate sportsmanship towards all officials, opponents, spectators, and teammates.

Supervision- Athletes are under supervision of a teacher, or staff sponsor and/or community coach for home and away games, trips and practices. All school rules of conduct are always applicable to members of athletic teams. Athletes are expected to obey all reasonable directions of the coach or sponsor and attend all practices, games, or competition unless the coach or sponsor has been fully notified. ***Failure to do so may result in suspension from the team.***

Uniforms- They are to be worn for **game situations only**. They are on a loan to athletes. Students will be asked to provide the school with a deposit for their school uniforms. The amount of the deposit will depend on the value of the uniform. The deposit will be returned when the uniform is returned washed and in good condition. ***Players will be charged for replacement of lost or damaged uniforms due to negligence.***

Transportation- The district provides some funding for this and has a contract with Surdell Taxi. However, the school board's contribution is still not adequate to cover all transportation costs. The athletic department would greatly appreciate parents/guardians volunteering to help transport our students, especially to exhibition games and tournaments. Please let your child's coach know if you can help out in this way. There is a Volunteer Driver Form attached to this package.

Funding- As previously mentioned, the district provides schools with some money to cover some transportation costs. It doesn't provide us with money to cover the costs for uniforms, officials, tournament entry fees, or equipment necessary for a quality athletics program. We have an extremely active athletics program, and our needs increase with the growth of our program. Fundraising provides us with some assistances, but this is still not sufficient. To help with the costs of providing your child with athletic experiences, we will be asking student athletes to pay a sport specific athletic fee, which you can find in this package.

Parent/Guardian Involvement- We would appreciate your presence at as many games as you can make. Not only will it allow you to see how your child is doing and how the system operates, it will help promote school spirit. A necessary factor for all successful sport programs.

At Frank hurt, we offer an excellent athletics program. As long as we have willing athletes, dedicated coaches, administrative support and support from home, we can continue with a program we are very proud of. Thank you again for your continued support! ***If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us at 604-592-1215***

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