

Highland Park Girls Field Hockey
Player and Parent Code of Conduct
2012

All players taking part in Highland Park Field Girls' Field Hockey and their parents must understand the following responsibilities and rules and acknowledge that the coach(es) shall have every right to remove players for improper behavior.

1. The HP Field Hockey athletes will:

- *Not argue or protest a play or call made by an official.
- *Not commit un-sportsmanlike behavior during a practice or game.
- *Not use inappropriate language in practice or games.
- *Not consume alcohol, tobacco or illegal drugs.
- *Not engage in behavior that is deemed to be detrimental to the team.
- *Not argue with coaching decisions during practice/games.
- *Not give "coaching advice" to the coach before or during any game.
- *Not converse with friends/family during games and practice.
- *Not bring "social issues" to practice and games.
- *Not use cell phones during practice and games.

2. The HP Field Hockey athletes will:

- *Take a positive attitude toward coaches, teammates, and opponents at practices and games.
- *Understand that winning and losing are part of the game and must conduct themselves as good losers as well as gracious winners.
- *Give their undivided attention when the coach is communicating individually or as a group.
- *Give 100% effort at practices and games.
- *Conduct themselves at all practices and games in a manner that reflects the standards set forth in the Highland Park High School Code of Conduct.
- *HAVE FUN!

3. The HP Field Hockey athlete must be on time for all practices, meetings, and games. Any absence should be reported to the coach **before** the game or practice, with as much advance notice as possible. Please **DO NOT** make appointments during practice or game times. Repeat unexcused absences or tardiness may result in reduced playing time, suspension/dismissal from the team. Players who are contagious should remain at home and notify the coach. Injured players should

attend practices and games unless otherwise excused. (Long term illness or injury is excluded.)

Athletes receiving p.e. credit must regularly attend practice and games in order to receive credit. Conflicts discussed and calendared prior to the season will be considered excused absences. Players with 5 unexcused absences will be removed from the team roster and will not receive school credit.

Players MUST communicate with the coach! If issues arise with school, conflicts, extracurriculars, etc., PLEASE e-mail/talk with the coach, so compromise/resolutions can be reached without detrimental impact to team.

- 4. The Highland Park ISD Code of Conduct will be in effect for all athletes.
- 5. Parents will not argue or protest a play or call by an official. They shall not criticize any player, coach or official at practices or games. Further, they are expected to maintain the same levels of sportsmanship as the athletes.
- 6. If a parent has a concern, he/she will respectfully address the issue with the coach at a scheduled conference. Parents will not be permitted to disrupt practice and/or games. If the parent does not feel their concerns were addressed, they will take the issue to the HP Field Hockey Board.

We have read and fully understand and endorse the above.

Player Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date

Highland Park Girls Field Hockey 2012

Player Information

Name: _____

Cell Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Grade entering in Fall 2012: _____

USAFH Membership Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____

(register at <http://www.usfieldhockey.com/usfha/membership.htm>)

Primary Parent Information

Name: _____

Cell Phone Number: _____

Home Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Home Address: _____

Emergency Contact Information (can be other parent)

Name: _____

Cell Phone Number: _____

Home Phone Number: _____

HIGHLAND PARK GIRLS' FIELD HOCKEY WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY – 2012

In consideration of being allowed to participate in any way in the Highland Park Girls' Field Hockey Team programs, related events, and activities, the undersigned acknowledges, appreciates, and willingly agrees that:

1. I will willingly comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. If, however, I observe any unusual significant hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove myself from participation and bring such to the attention of the nearest official immediately.
2. I acknowledge and fully understand that each participant will be engaging in activities that involve risk or serious injury, including permanent disability and death, and severe social and economic losses which may result not only from their own actions, inactions, or negligence, but the action, inaction, or negligence of others, the rules of play, or the condition of the premises or of any equipment used. Further, I accept personal responsibility for the damages following such injury, permanent disability, or death.
3. I hereby authorize and give my full consent to the Highland Park Girls' Field Hockey to copyright and/or publish any and all photographs, videotapes, and/or film in which I appear while attending any Highland Park Girls' Field Hockey Team event.
4. I knowingly and freely assume all such risk, both known and unknown, even those arising from the negligent acts or omissions of others, and assume full responsibility for my participation.
5. I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives, and next of kin, hereby release, and agree to hold harmless, the Highland Park Girls' Field Hockey, its officers, officials, affiliated clubs, their respective administrators, directors, agents, coaches, and other employees of the organization, other participants, sponsoring agencies, advertisers, and, if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the event, all of which are hereinafter referred to as "releasees," with respect to all and any injury, disability, death, or loss or damage to person or property, whether arising from the negligence of the releasees or otherwise, to the fullest extent permitted by law. I will indemnify, save, and hold harmless above named releasees of, from, and against any loss, cost, expense, damage, or liability that such releasees may incur as a result of, arising from, or in connection with such claim, including without limitation any attorney's fees, or other costs or expenses of litigation.

I have read this release of liability and assumption of risk agreement, fully understand its terms, and understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it and sign it freely and voluntarily without any inducement.

Printed Name of Participant

Date of Birth

Participant's Signature (including minors)

Date

This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the releasees from any and all liabilities incident to my minor child's involvement or participation in these programs above, even if arising from their negligence, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Parent/Guardian Signature (required if Participant is under 18) Date

Signed waivers are required to participate in any Highland Park Girls' Field Hockey event