

DAWSON EAGLES SOFTBALL

2026 PLAYERS' CONTRACT

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

This players' contract is intended to identify, and briefly explain, the priorities and expectations of members of the softball team and their parents. This contract will also identify the possible consequences for failure to meet these expectations or to respect these priorities. All players, parents, and coaches are expected to abide by this contract in support of the Dawson Softball Program. Players are expected to make the EAGLES softball program their priority during the entire season, behind only family (and religion) and academics. This includes all team and school activities, such as practice, games, fundraising, community service events, team meals, and banquets etc.

II. EXPECTATIONS

Team members are held to the same expectations listed below:

A. ACADEMICS

1. All team members are expected to maintain passing academic progress.
2. All team members are expected to attend class regularly and on time.
3. All team members are expected to comply, at all times, with all conduct requirements of Dawson High School and PEARLAND ISD (as detailed in the Student Code of Conduct).
4. All team members are expected to show respect for all teachers, administrators, and school staff.

B. TEAM MEMBERSHIP

1. All team members are expected to have regular, on-time attendance to all team activities.
2. Every player is expected to attend and participate in ALL scheduled practices.
3. All Varsity members are expected to be present for the start of all JV games and all JV team members are expected to stay for varsity games (**Tuesday- up to 3rd inning / Friday- whole game**)
4. All team members are expected to report all injuries and to comply with all rehab requirements.
5. All team members are expected to participate in hosting Pearland ISD tournaments.
6. All team members are expected to always maintain a positive attitude and **NO CUSSING** at any time!
7. All team members are expected to bring one case of water OR two twelve packs of Gatorade (assigned).
8. All team members are expected to participate in all fundraising activities.
9. All team members are expected to show respect for teammates, coaches, and game officials.
10. All team members are expected to pay their Skyward consumable fee on time.
11. There will be no PDA with significant others while participating in a school event.
12. Any damaged or dirty issued equipment and uniforms will subject to replacement costs.

C. PRACTICES AND GAMES

All members of the softball teams are expected to attend every scheduled practice.

1. Practices will be every weekday from 2:45 – 5.
2. Absences from practices must be pre-approved by the coach, 24 hours in advance of practice.
3. Absences without prior approval will be considered “unexcused” and will result in consequences. Repeated unexcused absences will be addressed by the coaching staff and player will be placed on an attendance contract.
4. There will be no phones allowed on the field or in the dugout. If caught, then it will result in consequences.

All members of the softball teams are expected to attend every scheduled game and tournament.

1. Absences from games must be pre-approved by the coach, 48 hours in advance.
2. Same policy as stated above in practice section.
3. All players are expected to remain after games to complete field clean-up duties. Including, but not limited to: drain covers, repairing pitcher mound, raking, trash in stands AND dugouts, etc.
4. Players will be assigned equipment they are responsible for during away games. These must be taken to games/returned, or they are reliable for cost of replacing item(s).

D. OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL

1. All team members are required to comply with all laws (including but not limited to illegal drug and alcohol use).
2. All team members are expected to maintain all electronic and internet based social media in compliance with other expectations of this agreement.

E. EXPECTATIONS OF PARENTS

Parents are expected to support their child in fulfillment of their responsibilities to school and the team and help guarantee their compliance with school and team expectations. Expectations of parents include (but are not limited to):

1. All parents are expected to show respect for all teachers, administrators, coaches, and game officials (NOTE: It is not appropriate for parents to question coaches' decisions about practice and games).
2. Are not allowed to be in the dugout or bring food/drinks to the dugout during the game.
3. If there are extenuating circumstances, and a player cannot ride the bus back from a game, then the player and parent must submit a completed "Alternative Travel Form" +24 hours in advance to get administrative approval.
4. All parents are expected to participate in ALL fundraising events AND volunteer in Pearland ISD hosted tournaments.

III. CONSEQUENCES

Violations of and/or disrespect for the expectations of this agreement will be investigated and arbitrated by the appropriate school and team personnel. Team coaches will also have responsibility for interpreting this agreement, including the definition of words such as "respect" ("disrespect") and "satisfactory progress."

Consequences may include (but are not limited to):

1. School or legal based discipline (as described in the Student Code of Conduct).
2. Changes in team responsibilities, on and off the field. This might include a change in playing time, practice, and pre-game duties etc.
3. Player behavior and/or attendance contract(s) which can result in suspension from the team.
4. **Consequences for breaking rules** listed in the Softball Contract (late to practice, cussing, not giving 24hr notice of missing practice, etc.) & Game/Practice expectations (striking out looking, not tagging up on the bases, wearing wrong practice uniform, phones out in dugout, etc.)
 - a. 4 triangles for the offender + 5 minutes of post practice duty for offender AND their accountability partner (must wait for their partner to finish running before completing post practice duties).
 - i. Failure to complete punishment within 7 days will result in doubling the punishment EACH day over 7 days the punishment is not completed.
 - b. Missing Games/ISS/D-Hall/ect – Larger offenses will be on the responsibility of only the offender. This will be 8 triangles + 5 minutes of post-practice duty.

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I agree to support and meet the priorities and expectations of the Dawson High School Softball Program as described in The Players' Contract agreement. I also agree to accept the consequences for any failure to meet these goals.

Player's name: _____

Signatures: Player _____

Date _____

Parent _____

Date _____

Parent Contact Information

Complete the Google Form below.



PLEASE RETURN THIS SIGNED PORTION TO COACH FESTERVAND, COACH BURROW,
OR COACH MARTIN.

KEEP YOUR COPY OF THE CONTRACT FOR REFERENCE.