Congratulations! You have been selected to play for a Back of the Yards College Prep (BOYCP) sports team. The articles of this contract are intended to provide you and your parents/guardians with guidelines for basic participation in our athletics program. Participation in athletics at BOYCP is a privilege; you are about to help build a special tradition. Congratulations again on your selection! All BOYCP student-athletes and their parents/guardians must read and sign this contract in order to participate.

ARTICLE 1 - TEAM COMMITMENT
By joining a team, student-athletes are making a commitment to: demonstrate exemplary sportsmanship, demonstrate punctuality and willingness to work hard in practices and games, demonstrate respect toward teammates, coaches, officials and opponents, honor the game, and play to the best of their ability. Failure to meet any of these commitments will lead to consequences designed to help educate and train each student-athlete on a case-by-case basis; however, in extreme cases, whereby a student-athlete persistently fails to honor these commitments, he or she may be suspended or expelled from the team.

- Athletic Fee Payment - Agree to pay sports fee (varies per sport)
- Coaches will communicate additional fees with players & parents

ARTICLE 2 - ATTENDANCE
BOYCP student-athletes are committed and responsible individuals, dedicated to attending all practices and games. 100% attendance to all practices and games is the expectation, because participation is a privilege and not an entitlement. Student-athletes have a responsibility to their fellow teammates to prepare for the season in advance and to attend all practices and games during the season. For every unexcused practice missed, that student-athlete will NOT be allowed to play in the following scheduled game. If he/she misses 3 practices/games that are unexcused, that person will be considered for expulsion from the team.

*UNEXCUSED includes not having a doctor’s note, at least 24 hour notice, excessive tardiness, etc.

ARTICLE 3 - ACADEMIC RESPONSIBILITIES
Student-athletes are responsible to meet the goals outlined in all of their classes. These expectations include class attendance, effort, behavior and achievement. Student-athletes must remember that their number one priority is academic education; academically, student-athletes are always expected to perform to the best of their abilities in the classroom. Student-athletes must have time management skills in order to attend all athletic duties and complete all classwork. It is the responsibility of each and every individual student-athlete to obtain any missed class materials, make up any missed class work, and retrieve any handouts distributed in his /her absence.

Students will be academically ineligible if:
- That have 1 or more ‘F’ at time of grade checks
- If a student has 3 or more ‘D’ at the time of grade checks
- If a student has an irregular attendance pattern for school
- Students that are late to school 2+ times in a week will be ineligible for participation the following week.

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ARTICLE 4 - PERSONAL HEALTH PRACTICES
Due to the harmful effect upon the health of the individual, all athletes will refrain from use of tobacco, drinking alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs of any kind, improper diet and improper rest. Verification of drinking alcoholic beverages and / or the use of illegal drugs by the athlete may result in immediate dismissal from the team. This applies in and away from the school setting.

ARTICLE 5 - CONDUCT
BOYCP student-athlete conduct will reflect all the positive qualities of an exemplary BOYCP student. As school representatives, student-athletes are expected to conduct themselves respectfully and with impeccable manners. This applies to all school situations, whether at BOYCP or any other school. Student-athletes will be held accountable for behavior outside of school and at other school events. Poor sportsmanship, inappropriate language or any form of student misconduct will not be tolerated and dealt with on a case by case basis. It is an honor and a privilege to be a BOYCP student-athlete.

ARTICLE 6 - POSSIBLE MEASURES
Academic concerns will first be discussed between the student-athlete, his/her teacher(s) and the relevant coach(es). If positive results are not achieved or sustained, a case conference involving the subject teacher(s), coach(es) and/or the Athletic Director will be called. If the matter persists beyond this, parents will be invited to attend a meeting at the school with the Athletic Director and other appropriate members of staff. Future involvement in the sport (and other sports) would be discussed at this conference, and may ultimately be contingent on the student-athlete’s capacity to improve marks in the given subject(s).
- Tobacco, drugs, alcohol, other prohibited substances, and illegal activity
  - 1st offense - Athlete suspended 50% of the season
  - 2nd offense - Athlete suspended for the complete season
  - 3rd offense - Athlete risks extracurricular activities for the remainder of high school
  - The BOYCP athletic director may remove a student from a team to ensure the safety and culture of a program on a case by case basis.

Behavioral matters will be managed in accordance with current school policy and practices. Any initial concerns will be addressed by the coach(es) involved, followed by a meeting with the Athletic Director if necessary. If these measures prove unsuccessful, the relevant administrator will be informed and help the student-athlete(s) make the necessary adjustments. If the matter persists beyond this, parents will be invited to attend a meeting at the school with the Athletic Director and other appropriate members of staff. Future involvement in the given sport and other sports would be discussed at this conference.

ARTICLE 7 - CPS Media Consent Form and Release
I hereby consent to agree to the Media Consent form and Release of content for my student athlete.

ARTICLE 8 - AGREEMENT
I pledge to do my best to ensure that BOYCP Sports experiences will be positive and rewarding for me, all players, all coaches, all parents and the wider school community. I promise to take pride in representing the Back of the Yards College Prep High School and to conduct myself honorably. By signing below, I attest to the fact that I have read and understand all articles in this contract and agree to abide by them completely.

Student-Athlete Name:_____________________________________ Date ___________
Signature: ________________________________________________________________

Parents / Guardian Signature ________________________________________________

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