



ALBEMARLE ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

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Dear Families,

Here is a snapshot of our AHS Athletic Department Student Athlete Expectations

1. Attendance is crucial in the ability to achieve academic success in the classroom. Show up! Do the work! Be a leader among your peers! Being present in class allows you to soak up the information and gain knowledge towards mastery learning. The list below outlines our attendance and academic policies in the athletics department.

- Attendance reports are taken daily and tabulated by the athletic department. Coaches are emailed **daily** regarding attendance of their student-athletes. Tardies matter and will count against attendance.
- ACPS handbook states you must be in class for **2 FULL BLOCKS** in order to be eligible to practice and play. This includes if your team has an early release for an away contest.
- Grade checks will be conducted every week, and students should check their email EVERY Sunday night and/or Monday morning. Any student-athlete who has a D or F in any class will have a **mandatory** study hall twice a week on Wednesday AND Thursday during Patriot Period.
- The student has Monday and Tuesday to communicate with the teacher(s) and make arrangements to discuss the grade. If athletics receive an email **from the teacher** before Wednesday that the student-athlete is satisfactory (retake arranged, assignment turned in awaiting grading, etc), then he/she/they is/are released from the study hall.
- If no communication is provided from the teacher to the Athletics department, regardless of grade change between Sunday and Wednesday, the student will report to study hall.
- Any student on the MEL (master eligibility list) is held accountable under the ACPS Student Athlete Handbook. That document can be found on our website under the Parent Center tab.

We sincerely want the best for all of our student-athletes. Thank you students, parents, coaches, administration, and teachers for your support in this regard.

2. All AHS Student Athletes will sign a behavior contract as a condition of their participation. The contract outlines expected behavior before, during and after school while in season. Violation of this contract will result in consequences, and could result in dismissal from the team.

[2025-26 AHS Behavior Contract](https://forms.gle/rcSdW8ZAVwAgFiwLA) (<https://forms.gle/rcSdW8ZAVwAgFiwLA>)

3. All practices are closed to parents and other spectators. We can't wait to see you on game/match day to cheer on your athlete(s).

4. Sportsmanship is of utmost importance and expected from everyone involved - coaches, athletes, parents, and spectators. Parent, if you are asked to leave from a contest, you will serve a suspension and will need to complete the NFHS Sportsmanship course prior to returning to the stands.

5. www.albemarle patriots.com is your one-stop shop for all athletics information.

6. We are a GoFan school. Tickets online at www.gofan.co

7. The **clear bag policy** is still in effect for all stadium and indoor events. AHS Clear bags available for purchase for \$15 in the athletics office.

8. Please reach out to me with any questions: lbendall@k12albemarle.org (434) 974-4308

GO PATRIOTS!