Western Mustangs

Student-Athlete’s Code of Conduct

As valued members of the Western University Mustangs, student-athlete are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that exhibits honor and respect to the team and the University while being productive members of both the campus and surrounding community. My personal conduct reflects upon the sport I play, my team-mates, opponents, coaches, university, supporters, and myself.

To be a student athlete at Western is a privilege to be a part of the Mustang Family, not a right, and my actions are subject to the policies of the Athletics program and the Western University Student Code of Conduct http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/board/code.pdf.

Student-athletes have the responsibility to uphold the principles outlined in this Code of Conduct.

**Integrity**

- Fair Play – Abide by the rules and spirit of the game as well as the principles laid down by the applicable sport governing body. Live up Western’s high standards of sportsmanship.
- Honesty – Uphold strong moral principles at all times.

**Citizenship**

- Ambassador – Represent your team, sport and school with class and dignity.
- Leadership – Be a role model for younger athletes.
- Outreach – Work to give back to the community.

**Accountability**

- Courage – Be willing to stand up and fight for our collective values.
- Communication and Social Media – Be accountable for the words, text, and images you put forth. Be aware that what we say in social media lasts forever; think carefully before you communicate through social media.
- Professionalism – Be professional all the time including conduct to teammates, coaches, referees, sport administrators, the Western community, and the greater community.

**Respect**

- Self – Live and play with class. Be a good sport. Be gracious in victory and accept defeat with dignity. Help fallen opponents, compliment extraordinary performance, and show sincere respect in pre- and post-game rituals. Treat others the way you want to be treated.
- Team – Fully commit to your team in all ways (e.g., by going to practices, games, team functions, being loyal to your team, being on time, helping others to succeed). Put team accomplishments above personal accomplishments.
• Community – Be respectful of the institution you represent including the professors, administrators, students, and alumni.

Excellence

• Competition – Excel in competition. Work to continuously better your talent. Be open-minded, always be willing to listen and learn.
• Academics – Excel in the classroom. Attend in every way in all classes. Work to continuously better your mind.
• Team Spirit – Advance the high standards and uphold the responsibilities of being a Western Mustang.

Prior to signing this document and at any time during the season, I confirm that I will comply with the above code of conduct and adhere to the 5 principles, and that I have had an adequate opportunity to read and understand it and to ask any questions to my coach or the SRS Administrators and to have them answered to my satisfaction.

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Agreed, this ____________________ day of ____________________ 20 _____

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Athlete’s Signature Athletes Printed Name

Sport ________________________________