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**Athlete Ally Pledge**

Team sports build a sense of belonging in students and connectedness with the school.

**In addition to co-operation and teamwork, team sports present an opportunity to build other character traits such as respect, empathy, fairness and caring.**

Individual self-confidence and self-esteem are enhanced through group activities. Intramural and extra-curricular activities provide opportunities for students to supplement their classroom experiences and build positive relationships while having fun.

**Sample Athlete Ally Pledge**

* I recognize that fairness, equity, and inclusion are essential principles at my school.
* I appreciate that our lives are enriched by the differences related to race, colour, culture, ethnicity, linguistic origin, disability, socio-economic class, age, ancestry, nationality, place of origin, religion, faith, sex, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, family status, and marital status.
* I believe that sport can be a fun, healthy, positive way to enjoy my school and the community of which I am a part.
* **I pledge not to use discriminatory language.**
* **I pledge not to ignore or tolerate discriminatory behavior.**
* **I pledge to do my best to make others aware of the negative consequences of discrimination.**

In an effort to make my school safe and inclusive for everyone, I promise to follow all the above statements to the best of my ability to ensure fair play, safety, and fun for all students and staff.

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Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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