



Welcome to BCA Athletics

It is our wish that you find the competition at BCA Christ-centered, challenging, and fun. The purpose of this handbook is to lay before you our plan that will allow us to accomplish these goals. The BCA athletic program currently offers the following:

Middle School

Football

Cross Country

Volleyball

Basketball

Golf

Tennis

Baseball

Softball

High School

Cross Country

Volleyball 2010/2011

Basketball 2010/2011

Baseball—coming soon

Mission Statement

The athletic program at BCA will assist in the overall mission of BCA that being to help parents prepare their children spiritually, physically, and socially to become disciples of Jesus Christ.

Transportation

1. All athletes must travel in designated school vehicles to games. Athletes may ride back on the school bus/van or one of the following with the coach's knowledge.
 - A. Athletes may ride home with their parents
 - B. Athletes may ride home with another adult pre-arranged and approved by their parent.
2. IPOD's, are not allowed on the bus/van unless approved by the coach.
3. Appropriate behavior is expected on the bus at all times
4. Food and drink will be allowed on the bus/van only with the coach's approval

Risks of Athletic Participation

In spite of protective equipment, and the supervision and sound instruction by our coaches, there is some risk associated when someone participates in athletics. Injuries in some of our activities can and do occur. At BCA we will do all that we can to ensure a safe and healthy environment for our athletes. Each participant must sign our liability waiver that is on the BCA website.

Away Game/Match Dress Code

All dress should be within the BCA dress code guidelines. Coaches will set the dress code for the team. Teams may wear warm-ups to games or matches.

Managers wear school dress code or attire approved by the coach.

Physical Exams

Each participant must have an updated physical exam on file prior to participating in or trying out for a sport.

Athletic Fee

All athletic fees are due the first day of practice. Each sport has an assigned fee. Please refer to the BCA website.

Athletic and PE Policy

A student present but not participating in physical education class may not participate in the athletic activities that day, practice or contests, unless approved by the P.E. teacher.

Practice and Attendance

Athletes are required to be at all practices and games on time. They will comply with the standards set forth by each coach in their respective sport. Parents; please be there to pick up your child when practice is over. Excused absences include death in the family, sickness, school-related activity, recruitment visit, doctor's note.

Parents

The coaches will pass out practice schedules or they will be posted on the BCA website. Sometimes emergencies come up with practice difficulties, and your athlete will be notified of any changes as far in advance as possible.

Any conflicts that may arise on your part or other concerns you may have concerning your son/daughter in the sport he/she is participating, please follow the following procedure.

1. Pray about the situation
2. Go to the head coach to discuss the matter
3. If results are unsatisfactory, please email the Athletic Director to set up an appointment with you, the A.D., and the coach involved.

School Attendance and School Work

Athletes are not to be tardy or absent the day after a game. Assignments that are due are not excused; he/she should plan for this. Also work that is due or assigned because of early dismissal to participate in a game must be completed and returned as requested by their teacher. In order to participate in practice or a game, students must be at the school for three periods.

Uniforms and Equipment

Each participant will be issued uniforms and equipment which will be in good condition. Athletes are expected to keep up with and take care of this equipment while it is in their possession. If lost or abused, the student will be charged for full replacement. Uniforms may only be worn for games or special events designated by the coach. Uniforms must be turned in before a student may try out for another sport.

Knights Booster Club

The purpose of the booster club is to help BCA fulfill its athletic mission. They will do this by promoting sportsmanship, school spirit, and fundraising. Please support the booster club.

The Head of School and the Athletic Director of Bethlehem Christian Academy reserve the right to review a student's grades to determine if a student may continue to participate in BCA athletics.



Statement of Cooperation

Please fill out this form and return it to your coach

We, the undersigned, have read the Knight Athletic Handbook in its entirety, we understand the commitment necessary to be a member of the Bethlehem athletic team, and agree to support and uphold its standards and policies so that the athletic program will be able to run as efficiently as possible in striving to attain all of its goals.

Name of Athlete _____

Signature of Athlete _____

I give my consent for my child's participation on any organized interscholastic team at Bethlehem Christian Academy as long as my son/daughter is enrolled at Bethlehem Christian Academy.

Signature(s) of Parent/Guardian _____

Date _____