



## **EAGLE RIDGE ATHLETICS POLICIES**

### **ATHLETICS MISSION**

The purpose of athletics is developing Christian character in our students first. This is the main reason we play sports at Eagle Ridge. Winning games is a vital element to our success as a school as well. The more sports we win the more draw we have for students outside our school body. Eagle Ridge Christian School takes pride in developing students with sports for their future as well as the present. The ultimate goal is to uphold integrity in everything that we do, while at the same time, offering a competitive and winning sports program.

### **STUDENT ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY**

Each Eagle Ridge player must maintain a C average for participation in their respective sport. If a player does not maintain this average he/she will not play until grades show improvement or Administrator makes approval. If a student/athlete misses school consistently without reason, he/she may also not participate for a certain amount of time, once again at the Administrator's discretion. Playing sports is a privilege, not a right.

### **ATHLETE REQUIREMENTS**

Eagle Ridge athletes must complete a valid sports physical from a physician, fill out an insurance form (see below for more insurance information), and pay their sports fee (covers whole year) before they can participate in any school sport. There is also a cover cost for State Tournament each season for travel costs. All varsity teams are required to travel with and stay with teammates and coaches during sports trips, tournaments, etc. This ensures a full team experience as well as protects the school as it is a school function. The sports fees for the year are \$75 and \$150 for JV and Varsity participation respectively.

### **STUDENT ATHLETE CODE OF CONDUCT**

1. Student/athletes are a representative of God, the school, and their team.
2. Student/athletes will honor and respect coaches as well as officials.
3. Student/athletes must attend practices and games, unless a valid excuse is made.
4. Student/athletes understand that participation in athletics is a privilege not a right.
5. Student/athletes will maintain coach and athletic standards to be in good standing.

## **ERCS ATHLETIC AWARDS**

Student/athletes and parents can participate in end of the season/school year award ceremonies where we recognize and appreciate those involved in their respective sport.

## **COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT**

1. Coaches must sign and adhere to an Honor Code Policy
2. Coaches will represent Eagle Ridge with character at all times.
3. Coaches will be responsible for equipment for their sport during the season.
4. Coaches are allowed to do fundraising at their own desire with A.D. approval.
5. Coaches must maintain order and godly character with their athletes.
6. Coaches must keep scores updated on Maxpreps, Semissourian, etc.
7. Coaches are allowed to have their own team rules with A.D. approval.
8. Coaches must make sure that student/athletes are maintaining grade requirements.
9. Coaches may choose assistant coaches with approval of administration.
10. Coaches may allow practice help with discretion of A.D. approval.

## **COMMUNICATION**

You can contact Andrew Mellies, Athletic Director [amellies@live.com](mailto:amellies@live.com) or call 573.339.1811 Ext. 22. Parents and athletes can view updated schedules and scores on [www.eagleridgechristian.org](http://www.eagleridgechristian.org) or Maxpreps. Driving directions for games can be picked up at School Office or found on the website. If any parents need to meet with coaches it is at the discretion of the coaching staff to choose their communication routes. However, the Administrator, Principle, or Athletic Director reserves the right to address any needed communication issues as they arise.

## **JUNIOR EAGLES**

We do offer a program for K5-6th grade for volleyball, basketball, and cheerleading during the school year at home games. We ask parents to be volunteers for this program with approval of administration. This is a great way for our younger students and parents to participate in our athletics and school.

## **INSURANCE**

Eagle Ridge offers a program through K&K insurance to have supplemental insurance for student/athletes and incidents. We require all parents to sign an insurance form as well as provide insurance proof or they must sign up for K&K. This is for the safety and protection of the school, coaches, and students.

## **VOLUNTEERS**

Each parent is required to volunteer for at least two home game nights for their students' respective sport(s). We cannot staff or run any home event without volunteers. For questions or to sign up talk with Denise Gartman.

## **ADMISSION FEES**

Parents volunteering for the night, student/athletes, and coaches do not have to pay admission:

- Adult Ticket Price - \$3.00
- Student Ticket Price - \$2.00
- Max. Family Amount-\$10.00
- Veterans and Seniors-\$2.00
- Under 5 Years-Free

## **HEAD COACHING STAFF DIRECTORY**

<b>Position</b>	<b>Name</b>
Athletic Director	Andrew Mellies
Assistant Athletic Director	Denise Gartman
JV Volleyball	Christy Margrave
Girls Volleyball	Kristen Martin
Boys Soccer	Alex Eaton
Girls Basketball	Stephanie Jackson
JV Basketball	Eric Warren
Boys Basketball	Andrew Mellies
Track and Field	Emma Shell