

**STUDENT AND PARENT/GUARDIAN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT  
STANDARDS FOR PARTICIPATION IN  
ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES  
2011 / 2012 SCHOOL YEAR**

Student athletes and parent(s)/guardian(s) must comply with the following standards for athletes and cheerleaders representing Venice High School. These standards apply to all cheerleading and athletic activities. This form must be signed and returned to the Head Coach who will file it in the Athletic Director's office. Venice High School maintains high expectations for academic achievement and appropriate behavior. All students must comply with the Sarasota County School District Code of Student Conduct and all school-specific behavior expectations.

To be eligible to play or to participate in either a practice or an event/game, at student must:

1. Meet all eligibility requirements as set by the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA) and the School Board of Sarasota County. (Included in the Florida High School Athletic Association rules is the expectation that student athletes maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA)
2. Be present in school for at least one-half (1/2) of the academic day unless excused by an administrator and approved by the Athletic Director.
3. Attend required practices prior to an event or game unless excused by a coach, trainer, teacher, or administrator.

These are the minimum expectations set by the Athletic Department. A Coach/Principal may add additional rules to those listed above that he/she feels are in the best interest of the program.

The following violations will result in immediate suspension from a team:

1. The confirmed use of tobacco or alcohol
2. The sale or use of any illegal drugs\*
3. Being charged with a felony\*
4. Failure to adhere to the attendance policy of Sarasota County schools
5. Failure to adhere to the discipline policy of the Sarasota County schools
6. Any act of unsportsmanlike conduct at practice or game/event
7. Any act that brings embarrassment to the school

We, the undersigned, acknowledge the rules and our responsibilities as specified above.

Athlete's Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Athlete's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Automatic suspension for the remainder of the season.