Bengal Men's Soccer Expectations and Policies

Varsity and Junior Varsity Team Selection:

Players are selected for the varsity program using a player evaluation period during try-outs. Each player will be evaluated on their technique, tactical ability, fitness, speed, handling adversity, attitude and coachability. The coaching staff will evaluate all players to determine team placement. The process usually takes 2-4 days. When a player is selected to the varsity program, they will train and suit up for varsity matches. Some players may be asked to play both varsity and junior varsity. When a player is selected to the varsity team, at the beginning, mid or end of the season. They will train and stay on the varsity team for the remainder of the season.

State Roster:

We will roster only 18 players for the state tournament. I will make a roster preceding the tournament based on practice and game performance during the regular season. Even though you may be on the varsity team, it does not guarantee a trip to any postseason play.

Inherent Risk Warning:

Soccer is a contact sport and can be dangerous. Players can be injured or even killed while participating. This warning is very important and everyone must realize your student athlete can be injured playing soccer.

Sportsmanship:

Players, parents and fans are expected to participate with the utmost maturity and sportsmanship. For the players this means no yellow or red cards and showing courage and class winning or losing. For parents and fans it means being positive on the sidelines during matches and supportive of the players, coaches, referees and fans.

Lettering Requirements:

The following is a summary of the expectations of each individual and the team for this season. These are also requirements for lettering this year in soccer. A single violation of any of the first group will not automatically cause you not to letter or receive a participation award. A violation of number eight or nine will cost an individual their award. A general continued disregard for the team, its reputation or your own reputation by ignoring these expectations will result in the denial of an award.

Group #1

- 1. Attendance: Be on time for practices and games. If you are to be absent, you are to notify the head coach of you team in advance. Practices are planned and your absence will affect the planning process. Please call your head coach in advance!
- 2. Sportsmanship: Maintain a high and consistent level of sportsmanship at all times. This includes, congratulating opponents and referees after games. Maintain a positive relationship with your teammates, opposition, referees, coaches, fans and parents. Avoid improper language at practices and games.
- 3. Dress conduct: You are asked to dress nicely for home and road games. If we do not wear uniforms to the game you will be asked to wear clean pants without holes, a nice shirt and when entering restaurants to remove hats.
- 4. Behavior: Behavior in restaurants, hotels, malls and locker rooms will include busing trays and politeness to all staff peoples, compliance with all room curfews and behavioral expectations at the State Tournament. Consideration and respect for others is expected at all times. Picking up the bus at the completion of the trip is everyone's responsibility. The seniors will make the final inspection.
- 5. Uniforms: Maintain proper care of your uniform. Your jersey may be worn on game day but please do not make your uniform part of your general wearing apparel. You may not practice in a uniform part. You must return or pay for lost uniforms prior to receiving an award.
- 6. Communication: Maintain open communication with the coach and teammates. Place the team first and treat others, as you would like to be treated.

- 7. Game Misconduct: Avoid misconduct fouls, yellow cards. Our goal is to participate with zero yellow and red cards each season.
- 8. Substance Abuse: Maintain the chemical and substance abuse agreement (attached in the handbook) signed at the start of the season.
- 9. Academics: Stay out of the Principals office on disciplinary or academic issues. Maintain high grades and work hard on your daily studies.

Group #2

To earn a varsity letter you must comply with group 1 and complete one or more of the following:

- 1. Be selected as a varsity player and play in 50% of the regular season games.
- 2. Be selected and play in any post-season contest.
- 3. Be selected to receive a letter on merit determined by the coaches' discretion.

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I have reviewed the team expectations, policies and lettering requirements with my parent or guardian. By signing below, we agree to abide by these guidelines and understand that a violation of any kind will merit appropriate consequences.

Player Name (First and Last)	Signature	Date			
			Parent or Guardian (First and Last)	Signature	Date