

2020-2021



Basketball
Handbook

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1. Introduction Of Coaches

- **Robert Winn**
 - (a) Red Oak Middle School Athletic Coordinator
 - (b) 8th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach
- **Ken Bufford**
 - (a) 7th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach
- **Jason Sasser**
 - (a) Head ROHS Basketball Coach
- **Chris Anderson**
 - (a) Athletic Director
- **Kris Elizando**
 - (a) Head Athletic Trainer

2. SportsYou

- A communication tool that I will be using this year that allows me to send you text messages and/or emails.
- To inform you of time changes, reminders, approximate arrival times from away games, practice schedules and any other important information that you need to know.
- Download the app and enter the code to join:
 - i. MCB7WESMis for 7th-grade boys
 - ii. TCWJF59A is for 8th-grade athletes

3. Medication Information

- We need to know about any health-related concerns (***asthma, allergic reactions, migraines, diabetes, etc.***)
- Any medications needed, including asthma pumps, need to be at school the very first day if at all possible.
- All asthma pumps need to be brought to Coach Winn/ Bufford on the first day of practice to have names put on them.

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- If an athlete has severe asthma or allergic reactions and does not have meds, he will not be allowed to practice or compete in a game ***(the grade will be affected without a valid excuse)***

4. Cost of Playing

- Each player is expected to contribute to our fundraiser. We have not determined what the fundraiser is at this point but when we do, it player is expected to contribute.

5. Practice Times/Days

- **7th and 8th Grade will practice every day**
- **7th will practice starting at 6:45 am (Doors will open at 6:35)**
- **8th will end practice at 5:00 pm (Guys must be gone before 5:30)**

6. Game Day Expectations

- **Home Games**
 - (a) Athletes stay at the gym until game time, not allowed to leave the school
 - (b) Parents can bring lunches before games
 - (c) Parents can take athletes home after their games if desired
- **Away Games**
 - (a) Athletes will be bused to the game, and back to the gym after the game
 - (b) Parents must pick athletes up from the gym, buses do not stop at homes
 - (c) Parents can bring lunches to athletes before we leave for an away game
 - (d) I will also send a *SportsYou* message just prior to our buses leaving with a more accurate return time.
 - (e) Athletes will also be allowed to use their Cell Phones to notify their parents of their estimated return time.
 - (f) Once finished getting dressed and turning in equipment, students must wait at the gym for pickup.
 - (g) No athletes are allowed to walk home following a road game – no matter how short the distance!!!
 - (h) Failure to follow the above protocol will result in your athlete being suspended the next game and possible suspension from future road games.
 - (i) Any athlete who is still at the gym 30 minutes after the bus returns to the Field House will be supervised at the gym by a Red

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Oak ISD police officer until a parent or guardian arrives to pick up the athlete (this is at the supervising coach's discretion on whether to call police or not).

- **Leaving with Parents from Away Games**

(a) Athletes must check out with their coach after a game if they are leaving with parents. All athletes are expected to watch all games.

7. Selection of Teams/Scheduling

- All Home games will be played on Thursdays.
- Guys will have the ability to change teams. The Maroon Team is determined weekly based on PRACTICE PERFORMANCE

8. Contact Information

(Fill Out Emergency Information Sheet)

- (a) In case of injury
- (b) Accurate Skyward Email
- (c) In case of suspension
- (d) Notify us of information changes!

- **Coach Winn Contact Information**

- (a) robert.winn@redoakisd.org *(best way to contact me)*
- (b) 972-617-0066 ext. 3200 *(Be sure to leave a detailed message)*
- (c) SportsYou chat via text, online or app.

9. Practice/Game Cancellation

- **7th Grade**

- (a) Missing practice due to weather counts against grade and playing time *(notes are not accepted)*
- (b) Athletes will be notified during the school day if a game is canceled *(a SportsYou message will be sent out as well to inform parents)*

- **8th Grade**

- (a) Athletes will be notified during the school day if practice or games are canceled *(a SportsYou message will be sent out as well to inform parents)*

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10. Suspensions from basketball games

- ISS Placement

(Coach Winn receives a weekly report from the ISS teacher)

- (a) Does not start over weekly
- (b) 1st Placement – 1 Half Suspension
- (c) 2nd Placement – 1 Game Suspension
- (d) 3rd Placement – 2 Game Suspension
- (e) 4th Placement – Removal From Team ***(possibly the athletic program)***
- (f) If an athlete is in ISS the day of a game, he is automatically suspended for that game. The placement AND the suspension count against the discipline policy.

- After School Detention

(Coach Winn receives a weekly report from the front office)

- (a) Does not start over weekly
- (b) 1st – 2nd Placement – Warning
- (c) 3rd – 5th Placement – 1 Quarter Suspension
- (d) 6th – 8th Placement – 1 Half Suspension
- (e) 9th – 10th Placement – 1 Game Suspension
- (f) 11th Placement - Removal From Team ***(possibly the athletic program)***
- (g) If an athlete is to serve detention on the day of a game, he is automatically suspended for that game. The detention counts against the discipline policy. It is up to the Athlete to work with the office to arrange an alternate day to serve, not the other way around or the teacher.
- (h) If an athlete is to serve lunch detention on the day of a game, he is not automatically suspended for the game. The detention counts against the discipline policy.

- Emails from teachers concerning classroom behavior

(Please do not get mad at teachers for informing Coach Winn of Student Classroom Behavior)

- (a) Does not start over weekly

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- (b) 1st – 4th Email – Warning
- (c) 5th – 8th Email – Extra Conditioning
- (d) 9th – 11th Email – 1 Quarter Suspension in addition to E.C.
- (e) 12th – 14th Email – 1 Half Suspension in addition to E.C.
- (f) 15th – 16th Email – 1 Game Suspension in addition to E.C.
- (g) 17th Email – Removal from the team (***possibly the athletic program***)

- Tardies

(Coach Winn receives a weekly report on tardies from attendance clerk)

- (a) Does not start over weekly
- (b) 1st – 5th Tardy – Warning
- (c) 6th Tardy - (***warning of suspension***)
- (d) 7th – 10th Tardy – 1 Quarter Suspension
- (e) 11th – 14th Tardy – 1 Half Suspension
- (f) 15th – 16th Tardy – 1 Game Suspension
- (g) 17th Tardy - Removal From Team (***possibly the athletic program***)

11. Removal From Athletics

- (a) Extreme Disrespect to a Coach or Teacher
- (b) 1 failing report card grades during the fall semester
- (c) Failing athletics on a report card is grounds for automatic emergency removal from the athletic program
- (d) Failing to live up to the expectations of a Student-Athlete outlined in Section 10.
- (e) Constant non-participation in athletics (***without a valid excuse***)
- (f) Conduct detrimental to the team such as bullying, stealing, or fighting with teammates.
 - a. Depending on the severity of the situation, a conference might first be had with the athlete(s) to warn them that if the behavior continues, they will be removed from athletics.
 - b. Coach Winn will decide what constitutes a warning versus immediate removal from athletics.

12. DAEP Placement

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- (a) Students placed in DAEP for 15 consecutive days or longer are automatically removed from the athletic program
- (b) Students placed in DAEP for a 5-day placement will meet with Coach Winn upon return to campus (***Coach Winn will make a decision to remove you or keep you in the basketball program***)
- (c) A review of the child's behavior following being removed from athletics his 7th-grade year will determine if a student is allowed into athletics his 8th-grade year. This will be determined by Coach Winn.

13.UIL No Pass/No Play

- If an athlete fails (less than a 70) any of their classes on their six weeks report card, they are no longer allowed to compete in games for at least 3 weeks. However, they can be reinstated by doing the following
 - i. Must continue to practice every day with the team
 - ii. Must not be or become an issue in the classroom/school
 - iii. Must be passing all classes on their progress report (***Not just the class they originally failed***)
- If the athlete does not fulfill the above-stated goals by the time progress reports are issued, they will remain ineligible.
- The athlete then has until the next report card to raise all their grades to pass (70 or above) or they will be ineligible for basketball season and possibly removed from the athletic program.

14.Parent/Guardian Expectations

- If a parent/guardian has required their athlete to maintain a certain level of behavior and/or grades in order to play, please know that the coaching staff will support you 100%. If you will please do us the favor of
 - i. Communicating what those expectations are ahead of time with Coach Winn so he can help enforce them.
 - ii. Inform Coach Winn no later than 9:00 a.m. the morning of a game so that he can let the coaches know that the athlete is ineligible and to plan accordingly.
- That being said, if you decide to hold your athlete to a higher standard, it is your duty to keep track of your student's progress on those standards and keep Coach Winn and or Bufford informed in a timely manner outlined above. Neither the coaching staff nor I have the ability or time to check the day to day progress of all our athletes.

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15.Lost and Found

- (a) Athletes who are missing equipment see Coach Bufford before or after practice

16.Parent Complaints

- (a) Please talk to Coach Winn if there is a complaint about the program or a specific issue
- (b) You have every right to talk to a principal or the high school athletic director. However, my hands are tied once you do so and I won't meet with you without them present.
- (c) Certain complaints (hearsay/total non-truths) may result in Coach Winn calling a parent in for a meeting or removal of an athlete from the athletic program

17.Absences

- Unexcused Absences (from practice)

- (a) Starts over weekly
- (b) 1 absence – 1 quarter
- (c) 2 absences – 1 half
- (d) 3 absences – 1 game

- Excused Absences

- (a) Doctor's note
- (b) Notification BEFORE practice, not during or after practice (***Coach Winn decides whether parent note constitutes an excused or unexcused absence to determine game time suspension***)
- (c) School functions and events
- (d) Tutorials
 - a.** This is only excused for 8th graders since they practice during morning tutorials time. (***Must have a pass or an email from the teacher PRIOR to going***)
 - b.** 7th graders are expected to attend morning tutorials to get grades up. 7th graders will **NOT** be counted excused for attending tutorials during afternoon practice (***unless approved by Coach Winn***).

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18.Showers

- (a) 7th Graders will shower each morning after practice from 8:20 – 8:45 a.m. **(25 minutes to shower and dress)**
- (b) Towels, shower shoes, soap, deodorant, etc. **(provided by the player)** will be needed to shower **(7th graders)**
- (c) Bell to the 2nd period rings at 8:55 a.m.
- (d) Write names on everything, including towels
- (e) Try to avoid sending expensive items to school with your athlete
- (f) 8th graders will shower at home
- (g) No one is allowed to shower after games **(must shower at home)**
- (h) Don't automatically assume something was stolen!

19.Equipment

- (a) Players will be provided practice equipment which will not leave ROMS, coaches will handle washing uniforms. Please have a way of identifying all extra accessories that are yours

20.Tutorials

- (a) We encourage tutorials!
- (b) School tutoring times **(7:30 a.m. – 7:55 a.m.)**
- (c) 8th Grade expected to attend morning tutorials. 8th-grade athletes are subject to receiving **unexcused absences** if having to attend tutorials in the afternoons.
- (d) 8th-grade athletes are expected to provide a tutorials pass/teacher email BEFORE attending tutorials or will be issued an unexcused absence and playing time will be deducted for that athlete. We would much prefer the 7th-grade athlete to attend tutorials after school if possible to avoid missing practice time.

21.Fundraisers

- (a) More information on fundraisers will be provided when it becomes available.

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Pre-Game Meal Details:

This year we will have Chick-fil-a and Randy's BBQ available for student-athletes. This meal will cost \$6.50 and will be delivered to us before the games. Both at home and away. The meal will include a Chick-fil-a sandwich and a bag of chips/ or chopped beef sandwich, chips, and a cookie. **MUST BE PAID IN FULL FOR THE ENTIRE SEASON.** The total cost for the season will be **\$59**. In addition, we will also have water available during our pre-game. We will collect both cash and check. If you wish to pay with a check please make the check out to Redoak Athletics and provide either your personal phone number on the check. Have money or check attached to the form below. **The money will be due by November 17th.** This is a great option to make sure your athlete is fed before games. We know parents work and to get here before games can be tough so we try to accommodate. Any questions please let me know robertwinn@redoakisd.org.

Pre-Game Meal

Chick-Fil-a

Money Due November 17, 2019

\$59 total (entire season)

Athlete Name: _____

Parent Name: _____

Parent Phone Number: _____

Circle one: Eating or Not Eating

If eating circle one: Cash or Check

Please return the bottom half of this sheet with the cash or check.