

## **FOOTBALL ATTENDANCE POLICY - 2024**

For the safety of and fairness to all Rocklin Jr Thunder participants, it is important for each athlete to strive to attend ALL practices and games in order for the team to be successful.

**UNEXCUSED ABSENCES:** Defined as any no-show, no-call absence, vacations (including those that are pre-planned), weddings, appointments and anything else that isn't considered excused (see below). Attendance requirements and associated discipline for UNEXCUSED absences will be as follows:

- One missed practice Athlete's playing time will be reduced for the next game.
- Two missed practices Athletes will automatically sit out of the next game.
- Three or more missed practices Athletes will be required to sit out the next game following each subsequent unexcused absence.
- Repeated violations of this policy may result in suspension or dismissal from the program.

**EXCUSED ABSENCES:** Defined as school sanctioned functions, religious or church obligations, family emergencies and any serious illnesses or injury. These MUST be communicated ASAP and IN ADVANCE to the Head Coach and will be handled in the following manner:

- One missed practice Athlete's playing time will be unaffected.
- Two missed practices Athletes may suit up and play that week, but playing time will be reduced.
- Three or more missed practices Athletes will be disqualified from playing that week.

**EXCEPTION:** We understand that some athlete's in the 5th or 6th grade are required to attend sleep away camps which typically fall during the season. Although there is no outlined discipline for missing practice that week, their status for the game following that week will be at the head coach's discretion.

## **IMPORTANT NOTES:**

- All athletes are expected to arrive to practice and games prepared and on-time. Recurring tardiness will be documented, could affect eligibility at the discretion of the Head Coach and/or Board of Directors.
- Players affected by injury are still expected to attend practices and games whenever possible.
- Athletes who are ill should remain at home until feeling better.
- Regardless of playing time penalties or game suspensions, the athlete is still expected to attend each practice and game unless told otherwise by the head coach.

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