THOMAS COUNTY CENTRAL H.S. ESPORTS

Practice and Game Attendance Disciplinary Policy

- The intent of this policy is to be fair to all players while trying to keep the team together as much as possible. To create and promote a "team first" concept is crucial to our program's continued success. This means an increase in the level of detail in which we coach positions, competition, cooperation and general rule understanding. This is a new activity at the high school, therefore it is crucial that players attend all practices. The schedule is approximately three months long and during this period the goal is to make you a better athlete, build character, build team unity and secure mutual respect among all program participants.
- All players have the game and practice schedules and should be aware that due to weather and uncontrollable circumstances game and practice dates and times may be changed. The head coach reserves the right to modify the practice schedule at any time and will make every effort to provide as much advance notice as possible prior to any schedule change.
- To minimize conflict, parents, and players are <u>very much encouraged</u> to submit in writing, the dates and times of events a player has scheduled that may conflict with practice times and games and would <u>prohibit</u> the player from attending if a schedule change is made. If possible please provide these date and times within 10 days of receiving this policy and attached game and practice schedule. The head coach will review the conflict and if the absence is excused it will not result in the loss of playing time.
- Players are expected to attend every practice and game, unless excused by the head coach. If a player is in school attendance, he/she is expected at practice. Timely communication between the coach, parent and/or player in this situation is essential. All games and practices are mandatory and unexcused absences will have the following consequences:

•	Unexcused practice absence first offense: Unexcused practice absence second offense	Loss of playing time in one game. Loss of playing time in two games.
•	Unexcused game absence first offense: Unexcused game absence second offense:	Loss of playing time in one game. Loss of playing time in two games.

- Additional attendance violations beyond the schedule listed above will result in further discipline or possible removal from the team.
- The head coach will handle all attendance violations.

EMERGENCY PROVISION

• The head coach will honor any emergency-based attendance violation and no discipline will occur. If it is determined through <u>verifiable</u> information that the player misrepresented the emergency then the player will be subject to permanent removal from the team. Examples of emergencies are a death in the family, severe family illness, other family emergencies, and medical issues.

Athlete Signature

Parent Signature