



Student-Athlete Code of Conduct

The following items must be adhered to by all members of SC4's Athletic Department. These are in addition to the college's policies and procedures as found on sc4.edu and will apply to all student-athletes on college property, at all college-sponsored activities, and in the community.

Eligibility – The student-athlete is responsible for maintaining good academic standing and meeting the eligibility requirements of the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA). This includes making satisfactory progress in classes and maintaining full-time status (12 hours) during each semester.

Dropping below full-time makes an athlete immediately ineligible until full-time status is attained.

Behavior – It is a privilege to be a college athlete. Student-athletes must represent the college with class and dignity. This includes in the classroom and on the playing field as well as on campus and in the community. Athletes need to act in a mature manner at all times and not create any disruptions. Student-athletes are considered adults and are responsible for their actions and appropriate attire. Student Code of Conduct applies to all student-athletes and can be found at sc4.edu/consumerinformation
Any expenses incurred because of a violation of the Student Code of Conduct or the Student-Athlete Code of Conduct will be the responsibility of the student-athlete.

College Property – Uniforms and practice gear will be issued to each athlete and must be returned at the end of each season. An academic hold will be placed on his/her record until the item is returned or paid for. Any destruction of college property will not be tolerated. Violators will be subject to SC4's disciplinary process and reported to the local police.

Alcohol, Drug, and Tobacco Use – Any use during practice, on campus, or in the community, any student-athlete found to be under the influence of, or in the possession of alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, unauthorized prescriptions and/or tobacco will face immediate suspension from the athletic program. Violation during a contest will result in ejection and immediate suspension from the athletic program. (See Student-Athlete Drug and Alcohol Testing Program form.)

Academic Integrity – Cheating, fabricating, dishonesty, and plagiarism are considered serious infractions and will be documented and reported following SC4's policy on academic integrity as found at sc4.edu/consumerinformation

Academics – The college has the right to share student-athletes' academic performance with any college official and/or recruiter as pertains to a student-athlete's eligibility and educational interest.

Transfer Waivers – SC4's policy is to deny all transfer waiver requests. If a student-athlete believes a request should be granted, an appeal must be submitted in writing to the Athletic Director. All appeals will be reviewed by a three-person panel that will include the Vice-President of Student Services, the Athletic Director (another Athletic Department official if the AD is the coach of the student-athlete asking for the waiver), and an SC4 administrator who is not a member of the Athletic Department staff.

Social Networking Policy – Student-athletes represent the college and are subject to public scrutiny. Information and pictures posted by the athletes or posted about the athletes may adversely impact their personal safety, impugn personal or institutional character, violate NJCAA, conference or college policy, or undermine post-college ambitions. Student-athletes will be held accountable for any social networking conduct that compromises the reputation or integrity of their teams and/or SC4. Anything posted online is available to anyone in the world and if the college becomes aware of violations or concerns, the student-athlete will be subject to discipline up to and including dismissal from the team.

Consumer Reports – The Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act (EADA) requires that an annual report be submitted to the Department of Education on athletic participation, staffing, and revenues and expenses, by men's and women's teams at SC4 to be used in reporting to the Congress on gender equity in intercollegiate athletics. SC4 files their report in October annually. The report can be found at: ope.ed.gov/athletics/

The Higher Education Authority (HEA) requires an annual report for completion and graduation rates on required cohort students receiving athletic scholarships. The report can be found at sc4.edu/about/student-right-to-know/

Due Process – Student-athletes have the right to due process. The SC4 Student Handbook outlines this process and can be found at sc4.edu/consumerinformation

I understand it is a privilege to be a member of an athletic team at St. Clair County Community College and agree to abide by the Student-Athlete Code of Conduct.

Student-Athlete Name (printed)

Student-Athlete Signature

Date

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