



PLANO WEST HOCKEY CLUB

**ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY POLICY – ACCEPTANCE AND AGREEMENT TO
PROVIDE ACADEMIC INFORMATION AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY**

2011 – 2012 SEASON

PARENTS

I am the parent or legal guardian of _____, who has been offered a place on a hockey team organized by Plano West Hockey Club (“PWHC”) for the 2011-2012 hockey season. I have read, understood and agree to be bound by PWHC’s Academic Eligibility Policy. I acknowledge receipt of a copy of the Academic Eligibility Policy. I understand that PWHC requires as a condition of my child’s participation on a team organized by PWHC that information on my child’s academic performance be made available to PWHC in accordance with the Academic Eligibility Policy. I hereby agree to provide the required information to PWHC. I understand that PWHC is a private organization that is not affiliated with the Plano Independent School District or any other school or school district. I understand that it is my responsibility to obtain the required information from my child’s school on a timely basis and/or to authorize the school to provide grade information directly to PWHC. I understand that if my child does not meet the academic eligibility standards of the Policy, or if I fail to provide the information required by the Academic Eligibility Policy, my child will not be permitted to participate in games, and no refund of fees will be given for the time my child is not eligible.

On behalf of myself, my child and any other parent or guardian of my child, I hereby release PWHC, and any and all of its directors, officers, agents and any other person acting on behalf of PWHC, from any and all liability, claims or causes of action arising in any way out of PWHC’s application or enforcement of the Academic Eligibility Policy.

I hereby authorize PWHC’s secretary confidential access to my child’s Plano Independent School District Parent Viewer web page for purposes of obtaining his / her grades for determining academic eligibility. I understand that if I do not provide this access that I will be required to meet PWHC’s secretary, at his / her convenience, and will be required to log into the school’s grade reporting system to obtain the grades or be required to provide an original grade report (the originality of the grade report will be determined at the discretion of the PWHC secretary).

LOGIN

PASSWORD

PARENT’S SIGNATURE

PARENT’S PRINTED NAME

DATE: _____

PLAYER

I have read, understood and agree to be bound by the Club’s Academic Eligibility Policy. I have read the statements above, and agree to each and all of them.

PLAYER’S SIGNATURE

PLAYER’S PRINTED NAME

DATE: _____

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY POLICY

REASONS FOR THE ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY POLICY

Plano West Hockey Club (“PWHC”) participates in the AT&T Metroplex High School Hockey League (“AT&T League”), which in turn is affiliated with the High School Section of the Texas Amateur Hockey Association (“TAHA”). PWHC anticipates that TAHA and the AT&T League will require that all teams participating in TAHA high school programs (e.g. the State High School Tournament) and the AT&T League to comply with certain standards of academic performance.

STATEMENT OF ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY POLICY

Players who are rostered on a PWHC team must meet the academic eligibility requirements of the Plano Independent School District (“PISD”). In general, those requirements provide that, beginning with the first six-week grading period of the school year, a student who receives a grade below 70 in any academic class (other than an identified AP, pre-AP, Honors or International Baccalaureate class), or a student with disabilities who fails to meet the standards of the student’s Individual Education Plan, loses his or her eligibility to participate in games, effective seven calendar days after the close of the grading period. Players may regain their eligibility after three weeks if they receive a progress report showing that they have achieved a grade of 70 or above in the class or classes that caused the suspension. Eligibility is restored seven calendar days after the date of the progress report if it is provided to the PWHC Secretary. If the progress report does not reflect a passing grade in the class or classes in question, eligibility may be restored at the end of the next grading period if the grades show eligibility. Eligibility dates are established by the PISD calendar.

PWHC REPORTING REQUIREMENTS—ALL PLAYERS

A. Players Attending PISD Schools

To assure that PWHC does not permit an academically ineligible player to participate in a AT&T League or TAHA game, PWHC will require that, as a condition of being rostered on a PWHC team and being listed on the score sheet for a game, current eligibility status be verified by the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the player, or by the school. This will require (1) either submission of a current grade report or a letter from the player’s PISD counselor stating that the player is academically eligible or (2) a statement of eligibility provided directly to PWHC from the school Registrar, pursuant to an authorization from the player’s parent or guardian to release that information to a designated PWHC official. Grade reports or counselor’s letters must be submitted on dates to be established by PWHC based on the PISD calendar. Reports will be submitted to the PWHC Secretary for eligibility verification and maintenance. If the parent signs an authorization to the school to release the information directly to PWHC, and if the Registrar of the school is willing to provide the information, PWHC’s Secretary will work with the Registrar to obtain the eligibility information.

B. Non-PISD Students

Any player who attends a non-PISD school, or is home schooled, must establish and report eligibility on terms to be established between the player’s family and the Board of Directors.

C. False Reporting

Knowing submission of a false report of player eligibility will be considered a violation of PWHC’s Codes of Conduct, and will be referred to the Disciplinary Committee for review and action.

EVIDENCE OF ACCEPTANCE

Every player and his or her parent(s) or guardian(s) must sign an acknowledgement that they have read, understood and agree to be bound by this policy, and execute a Waiver authorizing PWHC to receive information on the player’s academic status, before that player may be rostered on a PWHC team. Parents of players wishing to have PWHC obtain eligibility information directly from the School will be required to sign a separate authorization permitting the PWHC Secretary to obtain information from the School’s Registrar.

The Club may be required by TAHA or the AT&T League at any time to have different rules and/or reporting requirements relating to academic eligibility, which may require changes in this policy. Continued membership in PWHC and rostering on a PWHC team will be contingent on acceptance of any mandated policy changes and the execution of a revised waiver.