# NIGHT HAWK BASEBALL

HI, I'm Nolan Dix, Head Coach of the Hettinger Scranton Night Hawk Baseball Team. As we look for ward to another Fun baseball season, I am thankful for all the kids that come out and play this Great Game of Baseball.

Nighthawk Rules and Regulations

### **Physicals**

All athletes must have their physical clearance forms filled out. They need to be given to me before you can participate. This is an NDHSAA rule. Activity Fee The activity fee for Baseball is \$50.00 for High School. This fee must be paid to the office before the athlete can participate in their first practice. Does not apply to Scranton athletes.

## Alcohol tobacco, and Grades

- 1. Alcohol, drugs, and tobacco: We are governed by NDHSAA rules. Any athlete who is caught drinking alcohol, smoking, or ingesting illegal drugs will be suspended six weeks for their first offense. If they have a second offense within one year they are suspended for 18 weeks. Another offense will be one year's suspension from all NDHSAA sanctioned athletic events.
- 2. Grades: Hettinger High School assesses grades on a week-to-week basis. It is our policy that any student failing two or more classes will be suspended from play for one week. The grading week is from Wednesday to Wednesday. There is also one other reason for keeping up your grades. Every year each school receives an award from NDHSAA if their team can maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.25. This is an excellent award to receive as it shows you care as much for your grades as your sport.

### Curfew

Baseball players are expected to follow curfew. Curfew is set at 10:00 PM on weekdays and 12:00 AM on weekends. If it is necessary for you to stay out later, with a valid excuse, the coach needs to be notified. This is done to eliminate any problems.

Consequences for curfew violations are as follows: 1st Violation = Sit out 1 game  $2^{nd}$  violation = Miss 2 games(Will not travel or dress for doubleheader)

## **Bus Trips**

It is preferred that all members of the Night Hawk Baseball team, travel together to and from games. As a team it is important we share in both victory and defeat as a team.

Rules for bus travel are as follows:

- 1. If an athlete is going to ride home with a parent, that parent must inform one of the coaches in person or through text.
- 2. If an athlete is going home with another athlete's parent, a written note from their own parent handed in BEFORE we leave for the trip and a text or note from the other parent.
- 3. If you have a shorter distance home riding with parents than the bus, it is acceptable to ride with parents.
- 4. If you are continuing on in a different direction for a family function, obviously we will not make you ride all the way home and then back.

## **Communication**

I will be glad to discuss questions or concerns relating to baseball under the following conditions:

- 1. It is not within a **24 hour** window of a game.
- 2. Starters and posotions will not be discussed. The starters and positions are determined by the coaching staff and are subject to change on a game by game basis.
- 3. It is not about another athlete. You wouldn't want me discussing your athlete with another parent, so please grant them the same respect.

## **BASEBALL EXPECTATIONS**

- Every athlete is to be at every practice, unless they have an excused absence or prior obligations discussed prior to the day of practice.
- If you miss 2 unexcused practices you will not be able to compete in the following Game.

- We will all encourage each other and treat each other with respect.
- I expect a positive attitude and putting forth your very best effort at every practice and game.

# **Dual Activity Participation**

It is the view of Hettinger/Scranton that it takes a special individual to effectively and wholly participate in two activities full time. If any student wishes to participate in more than one activity in any given season, that student and their parents/guardian must set up a meeting time with the Head Coach and Activities Director. In this meeting, the commitments and requirements will be covered.. Many of our students are involved in several activities which occasionally conflict with each other outside of the school day.