



Instructions for the STAR Sportsmanship Program

As of the 2008-2009 school year, it will be required that all athletes take part in the STAR Sportsmanship Program. This is required by the Alabama High School Athletic Association.

"The Alabama High School Athletic Association Central Board of Control approved the STAR Sportsmanship Initiative Wednesday at its annual March meeting and added it to student eligibility requirements, beginning with the 2008-09 school year."

"Students in grades 7 through 12 must complete the on-line interactive program and meet all other established requirements in order to be eligible for high school interscholastic athletics. A certificate of completion must be kept on file in the school principal's office along with other eligibility items, including birth certificate and the physician's statement."

It is highly recommended that that 7th and 8th grade students sign in as 9th graders. It is required that any athlete (no matter the grade) that is competing on a varsity or junior varsity team complete the High School program. To do this, the athlete must choose a high school grade level when asked. If a 7th or 8th grader has not completed the High School STAR course, he/she will NOT be eligible to compete at the varsity or junior varsity level.

Your computer will need sound capability. Using the search engine of your choice to access the Internet:

1. Type in <http://www.starsportsmanship.com/kc2005/star.php> .
2. Click on "Student Sign In" (or either of the other programs you wish to enter).
3. Enter **STAR02101** as WCA's school star code. This code is the same for students, coaches and parents.
4. Once you have entered your code, click OK.
5. Next, you will verify your school by clicking OK.
6. **Students only will be asked to choose their grade level. Enter 9th grade for all students who are upcoming to 7th grade thru 9th grade. Sophomores thru Seniors use the appropriate grade.**
7. Register your name as it appears on your birth certificate. **DO NOT** use nicknames or aliases.
8. Follow the instructions on the screen to complete the course.
9. After you have completed the course, **PRINT OUT THE COMPLETION CERTIFICATE PROVIDED.**
10. Please **MAKE A COPY** of the certificate for your records and bring the Certificate to the Athletics Department. This certificate must be kept on file along with a copy of the birth certificate in order for athletes to be eligible. Coaches must also have their certificate on file to be eligible to coach.