



Football
2023 Player/Parent
Handbook

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Dear Falcons,

Welcome to Skyview Falcon Football Team 38. We are thrilled to start this new chapter in our school's legacy. As a program, we are dedicated to developing our athletes into young men and good football players. As a part of the Billings School District, we support the following core values:

1. Safety and well-being of our student-athletes
2. Role-modeling
3. Culture
4. Team
5. Player Development

Within these core values it is our mission as a program to foster the development of athletes as players, as students, and as young men. With that in mind, it is vital that all of our coaches, players, and parents commit to this mission. Football provides opportunities for students to learn and grow that most young people do not have. Our athletes will learn to demonstrate character, courage, and competitiveness on a daily basis because of the nature of this sport. However, these lessons will fall short if our coaches and parents are not fully invested in the process. Just as we need our athletes to have a role on the team, coaches, administrators, teachers, and parents will play a major role in our success.

Lastly, being a Falcon is a privilege that comes with great responsibility and great reward. Our core values are the responsibility of everyone in our family and being a part of this program requires the acceptance of this. We look forward to growing as a family, developing young men, and winning football games! Thank you for your commitment, and Go Falcons!

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Troy Trollope - Head Athletic Trainer

Mission

Our mission is to use the game of football to help young men at Skyview High School grow through healthy relationships, competition, character, commitment and courage in order to maximize their opportunities for success following high school.

Core Values

Character

Commitment

Courage

Player Expectation

Be on time

Be prepared

Be a good teammate

Be a hard worker

Player Guidelines

1. **Student handbook:** We follow all rules of the student handbook and activity handbook.
2. **School work:** We do our best in school. Academics come first.
3. **Relationships with Teachers:** We must stay in good standing with their teachers and administrators.
4. **School Attendance:** We are required to be in school. Attendance is vital. Players must be in their first class in the morning following any game on a school night. Parents, please do not excuse or encourage absences. If athletes don't go to school, then they cannot practice.
5. **Absences:** We are required to check with teachers BEFORE leaving and make sure they know what is to be done when they return. A road trip is not an excuse to fall behind in school.
6. **Behavior:** We will represent ourselves, our program, our family, and Skyview High with respect at all times, even outside of school hours/functions and with the media.
7. **Gameday Attire:** We wear dress pants and collared shirts on all game days (both home and away).
8. **Timeliness:** We will be on time for meetings and practice.
9. **Bus Time:** Athletes will be left behind if we miss the bus, and we will miss that game, even if they catch a ride to our destination.
10. **Bus:** We ride the bus home from away contests. Exceptions must be cleared with the Coach.
11. **Uniforms:** We will abide by all legal dress manners as described by the MHSA. Any unnecessary attire will not be worn for games. Don't wear things that make you stand out. Look like a team.
12. **National Anthem:** We will be respectful and attentive when the national anthem is playing before games. We will stand next to each other, helmets in a line, and hands on our hearts for the national anthem. We will be quiet and respectful until the flag has left the field.
13. **Post Game:** We will go directly to our team meeting after shaking hands following the game.
14. **Teammates:** We talk only positively about our teammates and support each other. No name calling or derogatory terms should ever be used with our teammates or opponents. Hazing and bullying will not be tolerated.
15. **Opponents:** We treat all coaches and opposing players with respect.
16. **Officials:** We do not talk to, or address, the referees in any way (verbal or non-verbal), unless we are a designated spokesperson.
17. **Managers:** We must treat managers with respect. They are an integral part of all we do.
18. **Hazing:** We will not participate in any form of initiation practices (otherwise known as hazing). Disciplinary action will be strict for any member of our team participating in this action. Expulsion is a possibility.
19. **Use of Substances:** We will not use drugs or alcohol. This includes the use of any form of tobacco, vaping products, or any illegal substance.
20. **Captains:** Team captains will be selected by the players and coaches. Team captains represent the team, and they should address the coaching staff if there are major issues concerning the team as a whole. Captains will meet with Coach Wahl once a week for captains' counsel.
21. **Communication:** We communicate via Hudl. You must have an account.
22. **Film and Playbook:** Use Hudl to watch film and access the playbook. Be a good student of the game. Come with questions. Athletes will all get a playbook. Keep it safe, keep it updated.
23. **Lockers:** every athlete has a locker, every locker has a lock, use locks for changing. Don't change outside.
24. **Cleats:** Do NOT wear cleats in the school building.
25. **Language:** Use appropriate language at all times. Use language that represents your family, community, school, and team. Absolutely no use of derogatory names will be tolerated.
26. **At home:** Be a great son for your parents. Take care of business at home, so you can continue to have fun playing football.
27. **Equipment:** Take care of all equipment. Wash it routinely. Store equipment in your locker.

PRACTICES:

1st absence = 1 quarter missed gametime

2+ absences = 1 game missed

***Modified practices due to injury protocol count as an attended practice**

****Excused absences are approved by the coaching staff PRIOR to practice. Family trips, doctors appointments, or homework are NOT excused absences.**

*****Frequent absences will result in an attendance contract that will need to be signed by the parents and player**

We will meet at lunch daily for film. Please plan on attending/bring your lunch:

Monday: Team Clips from last game - 11:15-11:45

Tuesday: D Meetings 11:25 - 11:45

Wednesday: O Meetings 10:55 - 11:25

Thursday: SP Teams Meetings 11:15 - 11:45

Friday: No lunch meetings, unless we played Thursday

OTHER ITEMS OF CONCERN:

1.) Game Uniforms: We will collect JV/Varsity uniforms after every game.

2.) We wear white underneath all uniforms

3.) Diet: This is very important for our young student/athletes

· Remember, these kids are growing and working hard. They give a lot of themselves everyday and this causes fatigue and breaks the body down.

· The general health of our players depends greatly on how well they eat and take care of themselves.

· Drink as much water as possible, all day, every day.

BUS TRIPS:

The following tips will make our road trips more successful, enjoyable, and safer for our entire program:

1.) Players need to be on the bus 5 minutes prior to departure time.

2.) Players need to be properly equipped with attire. We live in Montana. Each player should have a warm jacket, gloves, and a hat with them at all times when appropriate. Even if the weather is nice when we leave, there is a chance it will get cold or start snowing sometime during the trip.

3.) Players need to eat healthy.

- Sub varsity teams will receive a post game meal

- Varsity athletes will receive a pre-game meal and a post-game meal

- All other meals need to be packed

4.) Players should bring enough money for snacking before/after games if they desire.

5.) Each bus trip, we will ask certain members of our program to help with equipment, etc. If you take it off the bus, you put it back on the bus when we leave. Be responsible.

6.) Players must be respectful to the bus driver. We will also make sure the bus is clean and picked up before we get off the bus upon our return home.

Fundraising

All athletes are expected to participate in our discount card fundraiser. Athletes must return all cards and money by the designated time. If cards or money are not turned in on time, athletes will be fined, and they will be unable to participate until the fine is paid.

Other Fundraisers:

Vertical Raise (Completed for 2023)

Team Poster

Golf Scramble (Completed for 2023)

Equipment

Equipment is very expensive, here is the replacement costs for equipment that is lost or stolen:

Helmet	\$400
Blue Uniform	\$120
Gray/Blue Pants	\$120
White Uniform	\$120
White Pants	\$120
Shoulder Pads	\$100
Practice Pants	\$25
Practice Jersey	\$35
Girdle	\$30
Guardian Cap	\$30
Total	\$1,100

Parent Information

Please sign up for our parent email list using the following link: <https://bit.ly/SFFPARENTS>

Access our team Google Calendar using this link: <https://bit.ly/SFFCALENDAR>

Team Website: <https://bit.ly/SkyviewFB>

Parent Expectations

Support your athlete AND our team

Encourage Communication

Model Core Values (Character, Commitment, Courage)

Steps to addressing concerns

1. Players should bring their concern to their position coach.
2. Player meets with head coach and position coach.
3. Parent, player, head coach, and assistant coach will have a scheduled meeting.

*Please refrain from talking about players other than your own.

**Please do not try to schedule a “private” meeting with our staff members unless it is directly concerning the well-being of the athlete.

Parent Planning Committee

Team Dinners

- **8/24 (Sentinel)BBQ**
- 8/30 (v. Capital) Bird Dog
- **9/7 (@Bozeman) Tacos**
- 9/14 (@Belgrade) Pizza Ranch
- **9/21 (West) CJ'S**
- 9/28 (Homecoming v. CMR)
- **10/5 (@Senior) Soup?**
- 10/12 (@GFH) Pizza Ranch?
- **10/19 (v. GAL) Senior Night Senior Favorites**
- **10/25 Team Banquet**
- **Every playoff week with playoff team**

Locker Decorations

Team Gatherings/Events

Senior Night

Snack Bags for Road Trips

Team Poster Sponsors

Yard signs/Car stickers

Etc.

If you are interested in helping with our PPC, please contact Coach Wahl

VARSITY LETTER REQUIREMENTS

General guidelines for earning a varsity letter:

1. Complete the entire scheduled season
2. Start on Varsity
3. Have no unexcused absences for either practices or games
4. Earn a position on the traveling team and play in 12 or more quarters of a varsity game.
5. Abide by all school criteria as designated in the “activity participation agreement”
6. Be a part of the travel team if the team makes the playoffs.
7. Finish the season

* The final decision for these and any other special circumstances will rest with the head football coach and staff.



NOTIFICATION OF SHARED PURPOSE & CONTENT

Skyview Falcon Football & TeamsOfMen, LLC

Dear Parents:

"Great men are not validated by the number of conquests they claim or the glory they brag about. Great men are forged in the bonds they create, the causes they triumph and the hearts they touch along the way"

My name is [Kip Ioane](#) and as both a graduate of Skyview (1997), a former Falcon Football player, and the founder of [#TeamsOfMen](#), it is my privilege to be working with Coach Nathan Wahl and your student athletes this season.

This letter (and the interactive links included) are meant to both notify you of the journey (in partnership with the coaching staff) we hope to facilitate for your Falcon AND give you a preview of what they will be exposed to in terms of curriculum and content

First of all, #TeamsOfMen exists to help coaches across the country (at both the high school and collegiate level) create, execute, and assess learning plans built to help players discover a #healthymanhood. We do not preach to them a single model of manhood, but rather encourage them to break out of harmful stereotypes society shackles them with and build a version best suited to their authentic self. We believe sport has the power to change the world and athletes like your Falcon have a platform from which they can inspire, hence the focus on working with teams.

During this season, we will share content in the following topic areas

- *Reflection on Role Models & Early Life Lessons From Their Childhood*
- *Facts & Figures on Sexual Assault & Domestic Violence on high school/college campuses across the country*
- *Underlying Causes Of Behavior That Cause Harm*
- *Defining and Exposure to Concepts like Empathy, Compassion and Emotional Fluency*
- *Encouraging Them To Embrace Curiosity and Growth as Life Long Mindsets*

Do not hesitate to reach out to myself directly via email [@teamssofmen@gmail.com](mailto:teamssofmen@gmail.com) and/or Coach Wahl with any questions or concerns you may have.

Sincerely,

Kip Ioane

Founder & Chief Strategist

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Skyview HS - Football (M) 9th grade

Skyview Freshmen

Date	Time	Opponent	Location	Special Notes
Aug 26	10:00 AM	@ Senior	Wendy's Field at Daylis Stadium	
Sep 2	10:00 AM	vs West	Skyview Football Field	
Sep 9	11:00 AM	vs Bozeman	Skyview Football Field	
Sep 16	11:00 AM	vs Belgrade	Skyview Football Field	
Sep 22	3:00 PM	vs West	Skyview Football Field	
Sep 30	11:00 AM	@ CMR	CMR HS	
Oct 6	3:00 PM	@ Senior	Wendy's Field at Daylis Stadium	
Oct 14	11:00 AM	vs GFH	Skyview Football Field	
Oct 21	11:00 AM	@ Gallatin	Gallatin High School	



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Skyview HS - Football (M) Junior Varsity

Skyview Junior Varsity

Date	Time	Opponent	Location	Special Notes
Aug 31	3:00 PM	vs Capital	Skyview Football Field	
Sep 8	3:00 PM	@ Bozeman	Bozeman HS	
Sep 15	3:00 PM	@ Belgrade	Belgrade High School	
Sep 23	10:00 AM	vs West	Skyview Football Field	
Sep 29	3:00 PM	vs CMR	Skyview Football Field	
Oct 7	10:00 AM	@ Senior	Wendy's Field at Daylis Stadium	
Oct 13	3:00 PM	@ GFH	GFalls Memorial Stadium	
Oct 20	3:00 PM	vs Gallatin	Skyview Football Field	



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Skyview HS - Football (M) Varsity

Skyview Varsity

Date	Time	Opponent	Location	Special Notes
Aug 19	10:00 AM	vs Scrimmage	Wendy's Field at Daylis Stadium	
Aug 25	7:00 PM	@ Sentinel	Big Sky HS	
Aug 31	7:00 PM	vs Captial	Wendy's Field at Daylis Stadium	
Sep 8	7:00 PM	@ Bozeman	Bozeman HS	
Sep 15	7:00 PM	@ Belgrade	Belgrade High School	
Sep 22	7:00 PM	vs West	Wendy's Field at Daylis Stadium	
Sep 29	7:00 PM	vs CMR	Wendy's Field at Daylis Stadium	
Oct 6	7:00 PM	@ Senior	Wendy's Field at Daylis Stadium	
Oct 13	7:00 PM	@ GFH	GFalls Memorial Stadium	
Oct 20	7:00 PM	vs Gallatin	Wendy's Field at Daylis Stadium	
Oct 27	7:00 PM	vs Playoffs RD 1	Wendy's Field at Daylis Stadium	
Nov 3	7:00 PM	vs Playoffs RD 1	Wendy's Field at Daylis Stadium	
Nov 10	7:00 PM	vs Semi- Finals	Wendy's Field at Daylis Stadium	
Nov 17	7:00 PM	vs Championship	Wendy's Field at Daylis Stadium	

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