



Code of Conduct for Parents/Guardians

Please read carefully, it is your obligation to understand and follow this code

Scholastic athletic competition should be fun. Everyone involved in sports programs has a duty to assure that their programs impart important life skills and promote the development of good character. Essential elements of character building are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core ethical values: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and good citizenship. The highest potential of sports is achieved when all involved consciously teach, and enforce, these values and are committed to the ideal of pursuing victory with honor. Parents/guardians of student-athletes can and should play an important role and their good-faith efforts to honor the words and spirit of these values which can dramatically improve the quality of a child's sports experience.

- **Integrity** — Live up to high ideals of ethics and sportsmanship and encourage your child to pursue victory with honor. Do what's right even when it's unpopular or personally costly.
- **Loyalty** — Be loyal to the school and team; Put the interests of the team above your child's personal glory.
- **Respect** — Treat all people with respect at all times and require the same of your student-athletes.
- **Class** — Teach your child to live and play with class and be a good sport. He/she should be gracious in victory and accept defeat with dignity, compliment extraordinary performance, and show sincere respect in pre- and post-game rituals.
- **Disrespectful Conduct** — Don't engage in disrespectful conduct of any sort including profanity, obscene gestures, offensive remarks of a sexual nature, trash-talking, taunting, boastful celebrations, or other actions that demean individuals or the sport.
- **Respect for Officials** — Treat game officials with respect. Don't complain, bang on the glass, argue about calls or decisions, during or after the game.
- **Character** — Parents/guardians too should represent the school, coach and teammates with honor, on and off the court/field. Consistently exhibit good character and conduct yourself as a positive role model.
- **Self-Control** — Exercise self-control. Don't fight or show excessive displays of anger or frustration.
- **Spirit of the Rules** — Honor the spirit and the letter of rules. Teach your children to avoid temptations to gain competitive advantage through improper gamesmanship techniques that violate the highest traditions of sportsmanship.

I have read and understand the requirements of this Code of Conduct and acknowledge that I may be disciplined if I violate any of its provisions.

Parent/guardian signature

Print parent/guardian name

Date