

Parents Code of Conduct

We feel that, as parents, we play a vital role in the development of our student athletes. Therefore, we believe that we should:

- **Be a positive role model through our own actions to make sure our child has the best athletic experience possible.**
- **Be a “team” fan, not a “my kid” fan.**
- **Show respect for the opposing players, coaches, spectators and support groups.**
- **Be respectful of all officials’ decisions.**
- **Not instruct your children before, during, or after a game, because it may conflict with the coach’s plans and strategies.**
- **Praise the student athletes in their attempt to improve themselves as students, as athletes and as people.**
- **Gain an understanding and appreciation for the rules of the contest.**
- **Recognize and show appreciation for an outstanding play by either team.**
- **Help our child learn that success is oriented in the development of a skill, and we should make the student athletes feel good about themselves, win or lose.**
- **Weigh what our children say: they will tend to slant the truth to their advantage.**
- **Take the time to talk with coaches in an appropriate manner, including time and place. (24 Hour Rule)**
- **Be sure to follow designated chain of command.**
- **Reinforce the school’s drug and alcohol free policies by refraining from the use of any controlled substances before or during athletic contests.**
- **Remember that a ticket to a school athletic event is a privilege to observe the contest.**

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