Athletic Code of Ethics

In order for a student-athlete to participate in the athletic program, a "Code of Ethics" signed by both the parent and the student must be on file. Also, the parent/guardian of each student-athlete must have a signed form on file. In addition, each coach will have a signed copy on file.

As a Lutheran school, we desire to teach and encourage Christian conduct and sportsmanship among our student-athletes, coaches, and fans. To help achieve that goal, we have developed the following guidelines to help emphasize what we feel to be proper conduct for our student-athletes, coaches, and fans:

The Student-Athlete

- Accepts referee's decisions in a proper manner; does not argue or make non-verbal gestures that indicate disagreement with officials, opponent, or fans.
- Treats an opponent as a guest and a friend—as he/she wishes to be treated; appreciates his/her opponent's good play, encourages his/her opponent when he/she makes a mistake.
- Does not use profanity or vulgarity at any time.
- Realizes that he/she is representing the Lord—as well as his/her school and team—reflects this awareness in his/her conduct.
- Win or lose, thanks the Lord for allowing him/her to take part in the contest and keeping him/her safe.
- Has received, read, and supports the Athletic Program Handbook_____(initial)

The Parent (Fan)

- Attends the game to encourage and support all participating student-athletes.
- Shows respect for the judgment of officials; does not question their calls.
- Recognizes and appreciates outstanding play by either team.
- Does not use profane or obscene language.
- Does not verbally assault others or in any other way is generally obnoxious.
- Takes a shift or two in the concession stand.
- Is a positive example in setting the tone for those around him/her so that everyone may enjoy the game.
- Shows respect for those who are hosting our school; respects the rule and expectations of the host school.
- Has received, read, and supports the Athletic Program Handbook_____(initial)

The Coach

- Treats each player, opposing coach, parent, and administrator with respect and dignity.
- Uses the game as an avenue to minister to children, parents, and fans.
- Knows he/she is an ambassador for Christ, and as such, conducts himself/herself in a proper manner when dealing with student-athletes, parents, and fans.
- Sets a good example for parents and fans.
- Maintains self-control at all times. The desire to sin must not overcome rational behavior.
- Helps players appreciate the opponent's good performance and encourage opponents who make mistakes.
- Expects good sportsmanship from his/her players.
- Removes players using profanity or showing any kind of disrespect from the game.
- Does not "run up" the score or embarrass his/her opponent in any way.
- Has received, read, and supports the Athletic Program Handbook_____(initial)

Signature_____

Print name_____
Role: (Circle One) Student-Athlete Parent(Fan) Coach

Signature_____

Print name_____
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