

Code of Conduct for Parents/Guardians

The parents/guardians of a student-athlete at Bethany Christian School shall:

- 1. Model Christian behavior for all students, spectators, and coaches, remembering that they represent the school and their child/children in the community and at the sporting venue.
- 2. Complete all required paperwork and pay all fees due before the first practice.
- **3.** Encourage good sportsmanship, effort and teamwork from the student athletes, coaches and spectators.
- **4.** Remember that a ticket or admission to a competition is a privilege.
- 5. Respect the judgments of the officials and efforts and the strategies of the coaches by refraining from yelling, shouting, arguing, gesturing or inciting other spectators to such behaviors.
- 6. Remember that athletic experiences are learning opportunities for the players.
- 7. Make sports a part of the child's life not everything in his/her life. Keep winning and losing in perspective; help the student to do the same.
- 8. Help the student-athlete meet academic requirements and the team and coach's responsibilities.
- 9. Let the coach guide and instruct your child during competitions and practices.
- **10.** Leave the school building during the practices so the focus of attention from your child will be on the coach and the activities designed by the coach.
- **11.** Compliment and encourage all participants. Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing.
- **12.** Support all efforts to remove poor sportsmanship from children's sporting events.
- **13.** Refrain from the use of alcohol, drugs, or tobacco before and during competition and/or after competitions while still on or near the site of the competition.
- **14.** Ensure that the student-athlete has returned all school property including uniforms in a timely manner and in good condition. Parents are responsible for replacing or repairing any missing, damaged, or destroyed property.

Violation of Code of Conduct (for Parents and Guardians)

Any parent, family member, or spectator associated with a student athlete who displays disrespectful behavior towards volunteers, staff members, coaches, or officials—before, during, or after a game—will first receive a verbal warning. If the behavior continues and a second offense occurs, the individual will be asked to leave the school grounds. A third offense may result in a ban from the school premises, and the athlete may be removed from the Bethany Christian School athletic program. Bethany Christian School also reserves the right to ban a family member or dismiss an athlete after the first offense if the Athletic Director or Principal determines the severity of the behavior warrants such action.

Name of Student Athlete: _____

Signature of Student Athlete: _____

Date: / / /

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