

Athletic Parent Code of Conduct

The goal of the athletic department of Valley Christian is to bring honor and glory to our Lord Jesus Christ through the ministry of interscholastic sports. It is the desire of Valley Christian and the Gold Coast Conference to have coaches, athletes, pep squad members, and spectators who will best serve the Lord through their actions. In compliance with the Conferences objective of promoting good sportsmanship the following Parent Code of Conduct has been approved.

The essential elements of character building and ethics in athletics are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core principles: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and good citizenship. The highest potential of athletics is achieved when competition reflects these "Six Pillars of Character".

Therefore I agree:

1. I am grateful for my student/athletes participation. But more importantly, the fellowship and the fun associated with each contest is to bring honor and glory to our Lord Jesus Christ.
2. All game participants, including spectators, are responsible for treating the officials with the Biblical honor that is due an authority figure. I will remember to appreciate officials' hard work and respect their decisions.
3. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players before, during, and after games and practices.
4. I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak to coaches at an agreed upon time and place.
5. I will remember that student athletes participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
6. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his or her performance.
7. I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials, and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
8. I will promote the emotional and physical well being to the student athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my own child to win.
9. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well being of the student athletes.
10. I (and my guest) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players', coaches, officials, and spectators at every game, practice, or sporting event.
11. I (and my guest) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures.
12. I understand that any violation of this code of conduct will be cause for dismissal, suspension, or permanent expulsion from future athletic contests.
13. I will adhere to and promote "Pursuing Victory with Honor" and the six "Pillars of Character" (trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and citizenship) on and of the playing field.

I have read, understand, and agree to the parent's code of conduct at all Valley Christian and Gold Coast Athletic Conference contests.

Parent's Signature _____

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*This form must be returned to the coach prior to athletic participation. Athletes will not be allowed to participate without the completion and return of this form.

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