

Grant County High School

Athletic Parent Code of Ethics

- I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care, and encouragement for my child participating in sports by following this Parent Code of Ethics
- I will help my child enjoy the sports experience by doing whatever I can; such as attending as many competitions as possible, being a respectable fan, and/or transporting my athlete to and from practices
- I realize that my child's playing time is determined by his/her awareness of the game/match/meet, his/her ability, his/her maturity and the coaches' evaluations
- I will ask my athlete to treat other players, coaches, fans, and officials with respect regardless of race, sex, creed, or ability
- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, opponents, coaches, and officials at every game, practice, or other sporting events
- I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my child ahead of my personal desire to win
- I will support coaches and officials working with my child in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable team experience for all
- I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and will refrain from their use at all sporting events
- I will remember the game/match/meet is for students- NOT for adults
- I will do my very best to make sports fun for my athlete
- I will conduct myself in such a manner as to bring positive feedback to our athletes, school and community
- I will refrain from undermining or spreading ill will by passing on gossip, rumors, and/or innuendos which would or could destroy team moral or cohesiveness
- I will give my athlete space and time after games, except for encouragement
- I will require that my child's coach be trained in the responsibilities of being a sports coach and that the coach upholds the Coaches Code of Ethics
- Parents will abide by the 24 hour rule when wanting to file a complaint with the Coach- The 24 Hour Rule is as follows: *Parents are not permitted to discuss athletic concerns with the coach for at least 24 hours after an issue arises at a game/match/meet, practice, or other instances. I will schedule an appointment with the Head Coach if an issue arises*
- If there is an issue with the Coach protocol is as follows: meet with Coach, if no resolution meet with Athletic Director, if no resolution meet with Principal or Principal's designee

The KHSAA has adopted a new policy aimed at addressing concerns of unsportsmanlike conduct by spectators. The policy states that any adult spectator who is removed by school administrators or by law enforcement for unsportsmanlike conduct will be suspended from attending, at minimum, the next contest at that level of competition, and any contests in the meantime.

It is NEVER acceptable for a parent to attempt to discuss a child's playing time during a game or practice.

It is NEVER acceptable for a parent to attempt to discuss another student's playing time or performance.

Violation Penalties of Parent Code of Conduct

1st violation: Parents will be issued a strict warning for their behavior. Although not required for a first violation, school officials can issue a suspension based upon the seriousness of the infraction.

2nd violation: Parents will be suspended from all athletic contests for a time period of no less than 2 games of their child's current season, including post season games. The parents must meet with administration and athletic personnel; the absence of which will result in an indefinite suspension from all athletic events.

3rd violation: Parents will be suspended for the remainder of the school year from all athletic competitions from the date of the 3rd violation.

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