

# ST. BENEDICT SCHOOL

## 2016-2017 Parent Code of Conduct

*The essential elements of Christian values and character building in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship which includes the principles of: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and good citizenship. Adults involved in youth sports events should be models of good sportsmanship and should demonstrate fairness, respect and self control. I therefore pledge to be responsible for my words and actions while attending, coaching, or participating in a youth sports event and agree that:*

1. I will learn and respect the policies of the school and league.
2. I will be a positive Christian 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 other sporting event. I will not instigate, nor react to, behavior that does not fall within the guidelines of this document, and the mores of our Catholic faith.
3. I will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent. This includes, but is not limited to: badgering, harassment, unsportsmanlike behavior of any kind; or using profane language or gestures.
4. I will not encourage behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well being of the athletes.
5. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility, violence or unsportsmanlike behavior.
6. I will model respectful behavior at all times, and to all other players, coaches, officials and spectators of both teams. I will demand nothing less of my child.
7. I will promote the emotional and physical well being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
8. 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 with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.
9. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team. This also means calling out child's name and giving directions. It is distracting to the student athletes.

I AGREE THAT IF I FAIL TO ABIDE BY THE AFOREMENTIONED RULES AND GUIDELINES, I WILL BE SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION THAT COULD INCLUDE, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING:

- \*Verbal warning by official, coach, and/or head of league*
- \*Parental game suspension with written documentation of incident kept on file*
- \*Game forfeiture through the official or coach*
- \*Parental season suspension*
- \*Dismissal of my child from the Athletic Program*

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (*print name*), have read and and agree to abide by the **Parent Code of Conduct**. I understand that failure to uphold these responsibilities may result in a review of my child's status and possible dismissal from the Athletic Program.

Parent/Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_