Blue Ridge Lacrosse Code of Conduct

Coaches, Parents, Players

Players, coaches, spectators and parents are to conduct themselves in a manner that “Honors the Game” and demonstrates respect to other players, coaches, officials and spectators. In becoming a member of the lacrosse community, an individual assumes certain obligations and responsibilities to the game of lacrosse and its participants. The essential elements in the “Code of Conduct” are HONESTY and INTEGRITY. Those who conduct themselves in a manner that reflects these elements will bring credit to the sport of lacrosse, themselves, their team and their organization.

Coaches will:

* Treat all players (including opposing players), coaches, officials, parents and spectators in a respectful manner.
* Teach and practice good sportsmanship at all times, on and off the field.
* Support and encourage the personal and skill development of all players, showing interest in and support for all players.
* Strive at all times to be positive and constructive in their dealing with players, parents and spectators.
* Emphasize the value of good sportsmanship, the concepts of fair play and the skills of the game, over winning at all times.
* Hold the safety and welfare of players of primary importance.

Parents will:

* Teach and practice good sportsmanship at practices and games.
* Respect players, coaches, officials and other volunteers who conduct events and refrain from coaching or advising from the sidelines.
* Show interest, enthusiasm and support for their child and their child’s team
* Report any medical or behavioral needs your child has to the coach.
* Remain in the spectator area during games.

Players will:

* Arrive with all equipment in a timely fashion to practices and games.
* Participate fully in all practice and game activities unless restricted through parental consultation with coach.
* Support and encourage the personal and skill development of all teammates.
* Treat all coaches, officials, parent volunteers, teammates and opposing players in a respectful manner.
* Display good sportsmanship on and off the field.
* Inform coaches of any injury sustained prior to or during practices and games.

It is understood that all participants will respect the Rules of Lacrosse, both in letter and in the spirit of the game. By adhering to these standards, we will continue to further the positive image of lacrosse where physical challenges, emotional satisfaction and lifelong values will be the experience for all those involved.

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