

Code of Ethics - Athletes

Athletics is an integral part of the New Canaan culture. All sports activities on the playing field, must be congruent with our stated goals and objectives established for the intellectual, physical, social and moral development of our players. It is within this context that the following Code of Ethics is presented.

As an athlete, I understand that it is my responsibility to:

1. Show respect for teammates, opponents, officials and coaches.
2. Respect the integrity and judgment of game officials.
3. Exhibit fair play, sportsmanship and proper conduct on and off the playing field.
4. Maintain a high level of safety awareness.
5. Refrain from the use of profanity, vulgarity and other offensive language and gestures.
6. Adhere to the established rules and standards of the game to be played.
7. Respect all equipment and use it safely and appropriately.
8. Win with character, lose with dignity.

By signing below, both the participating student athlete and the parents, legal guardian/caregiver hereby agree to the above code of ethics

Printed Name of Student Athlete

Signature of Student Athlete Date

Signature of Parent/Caregiver Date

Pursuing Victory With Honor Code of Conduct for Parents/Guardians

Athletic competition of interscholastic age children should be fun and should also be a significant part of a sound educational program. Everyone involved in sports programs has a duty to assure that their programs impart important life skills and promote the development of good character. Essential elements of character building are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core ethical values: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and good citizenship (the "Six Pillars of Character"SM). The highest potential of sports is achieved when all involved consciously Teach, Enforce, Advocate and Model (T.E.A.M.) these values and are committed to the ideal of pursuing victory with honor. Parents/guardians of student-athletes can and should play an important role and their good-faith efforts to honor the words and spirit of this Code can dramatically improve the quality of a child's sports experience.

Our athletic program subscribes to the Pursuing Victory With Honor ArizonaSports Summit Accord. "Pursuing Victory With Honor" and the "Six Pillars of Character" are service marks of the CHARACTER COUNTS! Coalition, a project of the Josephson Institute of Ethics.