CODE OF ETHICS FOR PERSONS SERVING AS AN ATHLETIC COACH

The Governing Board believes that athletic coaches play a vital role in the development of the student athlete’s social, emotional, and cognitive development.

Therefore, all athletic coaches shall:

1. show respect for players, officials, and other coaches.
2. respect the integrity and judgment of game officials.
3. establish and model fair play, sportsmanship, and proper conduct.
4. place the safety and welfare of the players as the highest priority.
5. provide proper supervision of students at all times.
6. use discretion when providing constructive criticism and when reprimanding players.
7. maintain consistency in requiring all players to adhere to the established rules and standards.
8. properly instruct players in the safe use of equipment.
9. not exert undue influence on pupils to take lighter academic course(s) in order to be eligible to participate in athletics.
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11. not suggest, provide, or encourage any athlete to use non-prescriptive drugs, anabolic steroids, or any substance to increase their physical development or performance that is not approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration, Surgeon General of the United States or American Medical Association.
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12. not recruit athletes from other schools.

13. follow the rules of behavior and the procedures for crowd control as established by the league.

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