

## **Perkins Parent Code of Conduct**

Perkins Local School District has implemented the following Parent Code of Conduct for the important message it holds about the role of parents in supporting their child in sports. Parents should read, understand and sign this form prior to their children participating in athletics at Perkins Local Schools.

Any parent or fan that is ejected from an athletic contest will be held to the same punishment as a player or coach for that particular sport. They will be suspended by the Perkins' administration and will receive the same punishment as OHSAA for that sport. Further discipline may be handed down from Perkins Local Schools Administration. Any violation of prohibited behaviors below may result in suspension of athletic attendance at the Administration's discretion.

### **Purpose and Scope**

The purpose of the Parent Code of Conduct is to provide a mutual understanding to all parents/guardians to our school about conduct expectations while on school property, at school district events and when interacting with District employees and/or students.

### **General Propositions**

We expect parents/guardians to have a fundamental understanding and commitment to the following general propositions:

- Administrators, coaches and parents/guardians must work together for the benefit of student-athletes
- All parents/guardians and members of the school community deserve to be treated with respect.
- Be leaders, act professionally and model proper Sportsmanship
- Be a positive support system for children, coaches and team.

### **Important Roles for a Successful Season**

#### **Roles of Coaches:**

- Be leaders and positive role models for athletes
- Act professionally. Set good examples through their actions while being positive and encouraging
- Model and expect proper Sportsmanship
- Practice good communication with athletes and teams.
- Put kids in the best position to succeed.
- Make playing time decisions with the TEAM in mind. Be TEAM oriented
- Be fair and consistent when making decisions.
- Improve skills while preparing to win and compete.

**Roles of Parents:**

- Encourage participation and for your child to do their best
- Be a support system for your child, team and others, win or lose.
- Respect coaching decisions (rules, strategy, playing time, etc) and the job as a whole.
- Practice good sportsmanship while staying positive and optimistic

**Roles of Athletes:**

- Have a positive attitude
- Be a great teammate
- Be a dedicated and responsible member of the team.
- Hold yourself and teammates accountable
- Respect the coaches
- Challenge to better yourself to improve every day
- Meet classroom expectations
- Follow the Athletic Code of Conduct

**Prohibited Behaviors**

In order to provide a safe and sportsmanship focused environment, the District prohibits the following behaviors by parents/guardians:

- Abusive, threatening, profane or harassing communication, either in person, by e-mail or text/voicemail/phone, social media, or other written or verbal communication
- Disruptive behavior that interferes or threatens to interfere with the District operations, including the effective operation of sporting events or school grounds.
- Threatening to do bodily harm to a District employee, student, visitor, or fellow parent/guardian
- Damaging or destruction of school property
- Excessive e-mails, text/voicemail, phone messages
- Defamatory, offensive, or derogatory comments regarding the school or school staff made publicly to others
- All concerns must be made through the appropriate channels so they can be dealt with fairly, appropriately, and effectively for all

**I therefore agree:**

1. I (and my guests) will be a positive 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 sporting event.
2. I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting or using profane language or gestures.

3. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well being of the athletes.
4. I will promote playing by the rules and to resolve conflict without resorting to hostility or violence.
5. I will demand my child treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect, regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
6. 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
7. I will always follow the proper chain of command when issues arise. If an issue arises with a coach, I will not approach after a game and will initiate contact the next day.
8. In regards to my child's playing time, I will follow the proper chain of command of having my child discuss it with the coach prior to a parent meeting.
9. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during the game unless I am one of the Board of Education approved coaches of the team.