



Code of Conduct - Players

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All athletes are expected to conduct themselves with positive sportsmanship and Christian attitudes at games, during practices and in their daily activities. Athletes are expected to:

- Commit to their CYM team – this means that they are expected to attend all practices and games of the CYM team over that of any other athletic teams when conflicts arise. This agreement is also covered in the Parental Consent & Release Form on the Online Registration.
- Actively participate in all tryouts, practices and athletic contests. Sometimes this means cheering on or encouraging their teammates.
- Work hard and give their best effort at all practices and athletic contests.
- Conduct themselves with positive sportsmanship in mind at all times during an athletic contest

Improper or unsportsmanlike conduct can include (but is not limited to):

- Using inappropriate or offensive language
- Challenging others to a fight
- Disrupting the post-game handshake line in a negative manner
- Negatively speaking about/taunting an opponent
- Arguing with or berating any game official
- While an active player in the athletic contest (whether playing or on the bench) causing an intentional disruption to an opposing player with the goal of missed shot, failed attempt, etc.

The expected behavior for athletes applies to all athletes before, during or after any athletic event and includes incidents in parking lots, restaurants, etc.

Athletes should be careful on social media to not post, follow or like anything that could be considered offensive, inappropriate or derogatory towards any other player, teammate, coach, official or spectator regardless of the team or parish.

All unsportsmanlike fouls (technical in basketball, yellow/red card in soccer, penalty flag in football, etc) are to be reported by the head coach of the team to the CYM Director of Youth Sports within 24 hours of the incident.

Three unsportsmanlike fouls during a single program athletic season will result in a minimum one-game suspension for the athlete. Other incidents of improper conduct by athletes before, during and/or after a CYM athletic contest may result in disciplinary action taken by the CYM Office. Disciplinary action can range from probation, suspension or dismissal depending upon the circumstances.

If any athlete is ejected from ANY parish/school or CYM athletic contest, whether sponsored by CYM or not for any unsportsmanlike activity, the athlete will be suspended for a minimum of the next athletic contest played by that team (whether a regular season game, tournament game or playoff game). If the team does not play any additional games that season, the athlete would be required to miss the next athlete contest he or she participates in during the next sports season (regardless of the sport). The CYM Office reserves the right to increase the disciplinary action if deemed appropriate.

During the suspension period the athlete is not permitted to attend the athletic contest, including sitting in the spectator area. An athlete's attendance at any athletic event while suspended will result in a forfeit by the team, or if the team lost, having its playoff win count reduced by one.

Any violation of the social media rules or the guidelines provided in the section on unsportsmanlike actions may result in disciplinary action taken by the CYM Director of Youth Sports regardless of whether an unsportsmanlike foul was issued by an official.

Related Policies:

There are no related policies for this commentary section.