

Aberdeen Christian School (ACS)

Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct Agreement (10/18/2022)

As a parent/guardian, we understand that both our expectations and conduct at any athletic contest (both home and away) are guided by the ACS 2022-2023 Activities Handbook. From this handbook, we understand, and agree to, the following guidelines. It is clear that:

1. A student's playing time is determined by how it will best serve the team. (p 5 of Handbook)
2. No student is entitled to a position, role, or participation level based on things such as: past team involvement; the academic grade they are in; or the level of greatly appreciated contributions made to ACS by the student's family. (p 5)
3. The head coach is the sole judge on who will start and how much playing time each student will receive. (p 5)
4. Parents and family members must demonstrate respect for authority in order to provide a model for their students. For example, no parent or family member:
 - a. Will yell at referees, students, or coaches during any competition. Focus must be on encouraging the students to overcome negative situations, keep moving forward, and work hard to do well for the remainder of the contest. (p 6)
 - b. Can approach the team bench to address coaches or students during a contest. If a student needs something, they must work the request through the coaching staff.
 - c. Will enter a dressing room or athletic training room before, during, or after a contest. After a contest, family members must wait for the students to leave the locker room.
 - d. Can correct any student for potential rule violations before, during, or after a contest. This is a responsibility of the head coach.
5. Only positive comments about a player, coach, or a competitor will be posted on any social media sites such as Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. (p 8)
6. There is a formal student feedback process being used to let each student know what their role on the team is, what they do well, and what they need to improve to change their role. (p 7-8)
 - a. If a student has questions or concerns regarding this feedback, or any other aspect of the team, he/she must ask the coach first before there is any parental involvement.
 - b. Learning how to be his/her own advocate is a critical life skill that we agree needs to be developed. (p 8)
7. If there is a concerning incident that occurs during a contest, there is a "**no contact for 24 hours**" rule following the competition.
 - a. This rule means we will have **no** contact with coaches during a game, or for 24 hours following a contest, that has a perceived triggering event.
 - b. Cooler heads are inevitably more productive.
8. We need to study, and become knowledgeable with, the South Dakota high school rules for the sport my student participates in.
9. Our family is expected to support at least four home contests during the season (if the student participates in either volleyball or basketball). We need to sign up for a gym clean-up rotation that does not count as one of the four support jobs mentioned above. (p 8)

Name of Student (s) of Parents/Guardians: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

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