

General Guidelines for Coaches, Players and Parents

Christians First

First, and foremost, we are Christian brothers and sisters sharing our enjoyment for athletics together. Our actions should always be reflective of our religious values and belief in Christ.

Christianity, Sportsmanship and Fair Play

- ❖ **Christianity, Sportsmanship and Fair Play** - are the principals in which we ask that all Coaches, Parents and Players conduct themselves at all times.
- ❖ Your attitude, emotions and behavior (whether a coach, parent or player) are not only a reflection of you as a Christian, but also a reflection of St. Michael School. As representatives of St. Michael School, we ask that everyone to conduct yourself accordingly.
- ❖ We have asked all Coaches to speak with the parents of their players before the season and reinforce **Christianity and Sportsmanship** for the upcoming season.
- ❖ We ask that Parents, please speak with your children before the season and reinforce the importance of **Christianity and Sportsmanship** for the upcoming season.
- ❖ We have the prepared the following rules:
 - We cheer for our team - never against our opponent.
 - We cheer for all the players - and do not root against any players.
 - We do not single out a player for poor play.
 - Referees are off limits. Do not harass or antagonize them.

Safety

The head coach is responsible for the safety of the children, whether during practice or a game situation. However, we would like to share the following guidelines with you:

- ❖ In the event there is an accident - we ask that everyone take the steps needed to ensure the injured child or adult is treated - with safety being the foremost in their mind.
- ❖ Do not hesitate to call emergency services, if necessary.
- ❖ If you contact medical services, please advise the coach and / or a member of the Sports Board. They will ensure the proper information is obtained and disseminated to the School, Parish Administration and League Officials.
- ❖ If medical services are not needed - after the practice or game - please inform the coach of the incident so they may speak with the appropriate individuals (other coach, parents, etc.).