

**SAVANNAH PAROCHIAL ATHLETIC LEAGUE  
COACHES' CODE OF CONDUCT**

1. Refrain from using alcohol and tobacco products during practices, games, and any other time when in the company of young people.
2. Refrain at all times from using profane and abusive language and gestures.
3. Do not criticize players in front of spectators, and make criticisms constructive in nature. Avoid criticizing opposing teams, other coaches, fans, and officials.
4. Do not permit an ineligible player to participate in a game, and uphold all other rules and regulations in both letter and spirit.
5. Remove from a practice or game any player when there is even the slightest doubt about his or her health.
6. Control your fans. As coach, you are responsible for the conduct of your team and fans, and fan reaction will usually be in step with your reaction. Set a good example.
7. Emphasize the model of the student-athlete. Encourage your players to excel in the classroom as well as on the field and court.
8. Promote only clean, aggressive fair play while stressing good sportsmanship and respect for your opponents.
9. Attempt to improve your coaching ability and knowledge of your sport by attending clinics when available and studying the rule book.
10. Strive at all times to make athletics an integral and appropriate part of the education and development of young people through firm, fair, and consistent discipline of your players, and the highest standards of conduct for yourself.

**I RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF UPHOLDING THE ABOVE CODE OF CONDUCT, AND PLEDGE THAT I WILL ATTEMPT TO MAINTAIN THESE STANDARDS.**

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

**School** \_\_\_\_\_