



COACH CODE OF CONDUCT

High school and college persons are eligible to coach provided that team is registered in the name of a responsible adult coach (19 years of age or older) who will occupy a position on the team bench during each game. Coaches in boys and girls high school basketball divisions must be 25 years of age or older.

CYO Athletics recommends that parishes and schools adopt a rule whereby an individual may not coach the same group in the same sport for more than two consecutive years.

Coaches will be responsible for:

- Conducting themselves in a Christian manner that will reflect credit on their parish, school and CYO Athletics and ensuring team members and team followers do likewise – this includes facilitating the pre-event prayer and statement, being good stewards of the facilities where we compete and intervening when behavior is not appropriate.
- Teaching and guiding youth in a manner of sportsmanship that will increase their respect for authority, their sense of fair play, and their ability to adapt to the wins and losses of everyday life.
- Respecting the judgment of officials;
- Being knowledgeable of all aspects in the current CYO Athletics manual, making sure that all rules and policies are faithfully observed.
- Conducting a preseason parents/coaches meeting to ensure that everyone thoroughly understands the responsibilities of coaches, parents, and athletes.
- Having attended PLACT Sports as Ministry coaches training.
- Attending the preseason coaches meeting at the time and place designated by the committee of the respective sport. In the event that this is not possible, the head coach must make sure an assistant coach represents the team.
- Satisfying the Safe Environment requirements. This includes reviewing with any coach under the age of 18 years old the Prevention of Sexual Abuse policies and the basic principles covered in the program.
- Making sure the proper roster form is filled out and submitted to the parish/school athletic director with eligible players so they may be submitted to the CYO Athletics office prior to the roster deadline for each sport.
- Determining the eligibility of each player on one's team through the parish/school and ensuring that players play for only one team for the entire season. The use of an ineligible player(s) either deliberately or unknowingly shall result in a forfeiture of each game in which the player(s) took part.
- Making sure that the signed CYO Athletics Code of Conduct is on file within their parish or school for themselves and for each member of their team and their parent(s)/guardian(s).
- Score Reporting - For 5th-8th grade teams, the coach of the winning team (both teams in case of a tie in soccer) each week will be responsible for either calling in (206.654.4643) or emailing (cyoscores@seattlearch.org) to report the game score by Sunday evening. Failure to report a score so that it can be posted and verified by end of business day the following Friday may result in a loss. In case of a tie, if one team does not report the score, it results in a loss for the team that did not report it. It is recommended that coaches call in on game day to report. The score report should include the name of the team, the grade level, the gender, the division (i.e. North, AA Central or AAA South) in addition to the score listing who won and who lost.
- Ensuring pre-game prayer and statement take place.
- Not scheduling any practices that will conflict with liturgies of any Holy Days.
- Having first aid supplies (including ice or ice packs) at each practice and games and medical emergency forms for each athlete.

Coach Signature

Coach Name (Printed)

Date