



For Parents

STM Parent Code of Conduct Agreement

I/we will set a good example to our/my child(ren) in his/ her athletic development by adhering at all times to the following requirements and expectations:

With regard to my/our child(ren), opposing teams, referees, coaches and STM community:

Parents/Guardians Responsibilities-Parish School

As parents/guardians, we recognize that the St. Thomas More Athletic Association program is only effective when parents/guardians support the Catholic Christian philosophy, procedures and guidelines set forth by the parish and the ATHLETIC Association. For this reason, we commit ourselves to the following:

1. Parents/Guardians are expected to set the example of good sportsmanship and Catholic values for their athlete. At all times parents are expected to adhere to the principles of good sportsmanship and be respectful of all athletes, coaches, other parents, spectators and game officials.
2. Parents/Guardians are required to complete the appropriate registration form, consent form, emergency information and pay the registration fee prior to the first practice in order for the child (ren) to be eligible for sports participation.
3. Parents/Guardians are required to complete some form of volunteer service.
4. Parents/Guardians unable to perform a service assignment due to work schedule or personal reasons will be required to submit a check for \$100.00 in lieu of service duty.
5. Parents/Guardians should arrange for their athletes to have a physical every year or when new to the athletic program. A physical examination form must be turned in prior to the first practice.
6. Parents/Guardians are to provide transportation to all practice and games. Athletes need to arrive at the times designated by the coach and be picked up promptly afterwards.
7. Parents/Guardians are financially responsible for the loss or misuse of uniforms issued to the athletes. Uniforms are to be worn for games and scrimmages only and must be returned clean, at the end of the season. Loss or damage to a uniform will require reimbursement of the cost to replace that uniform.
8. Parents/Guardians are asked to communicate to the coach any other activity that the athlete will participate in that may conflict with their attendance at games or practice. If the athlete is playing a sport concurrent with the school sport it is the parent's responsibility to resolve the conflict with the coach of the other activity.
 - It is not the responsibility of the STM coach to resolve this matter (see Eligibility # 4 & Athlete Responsibilities # 2 of the STMAA Handbook).
 - Parents understand that playing time may be reduced, regardless of level of play, should multiple absences from practices and games occur due to these conflicts.
9. During the season, Parents/Guardians may communicate with the coach any concern(s) they may have.
 - Parents/Guardians are to refrain from approaching a coach immediately following a game to discuss these concerns. Should a Parent/Guardian have an issue to raise, it shall be done 24 hours after any game.
 - To raise an issue, complaint or grievance, Parents/Guardians are required to use the grievance procedures outlined in the STMAA Handbook of Policies and Procedures. Failure to follow the protocol could result in sanctions including parent suspension from practices and games for a period of up to two weeks.
 - At no time will the coaches, Athletic Director or Board address/resolve issues through the use of email. Issues, complaints and grievances to be presented, will be done so in person or by phone. Email will only be used to set appointments and for other administrative purposes.

I _____ agree to uphold the above and abide by the STMAA Handbook of Policies and Procedures. I understand that if I violate or fail to adhere to the behaviors outlined in these documents, I and my child may be subject to suspension or removal from the STM athletic organization, in

accordance with the procedure detailed in the Parent Code of Conduct document.

Signature

Printed Name

Date

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