

## PARENT'S CODE OF CONDUCT FOR CHANT

Without strong parental support and involvement your athlete(s) and their team will not be able to achieve their greatest potential. CHANT is an organization run by volunteers. It takes all the families working together to create a successful organization. Parental involvement is vital. As a Christian organization, CHANT is asking parents to honor God in all you do.

The Parent Code of Conduct is intended to provide behavior guidelines and establish clear expectations for all involved. It is not conceived to address every possible behavioral circumstance; however, it shall serve as CHANT's standard for behavioral evaluation. Any person violating the Code shall be subject to administrative action up to and including termination of his/her privilege to participate in, or attend, CHANT sponsored activities.

Illegal, unlawful, and harmful behavior towards the athlete(s) on part of the parent shall NOT be tolerated by the organization CHANT and will be reported to the authorities.

- I will serve in some capacity at each home game.
- I will be a source of encouragement for my athlete(s), their coaches, and teammates.
- I will help my athlete(s) be aware of the practice and game schedule and get them there at the appointed times if I am driving.
- I will resolve differences with coaches/parents/CHANT out of earshot of my athlete(s) and preferably other parents.
  - I will pray about what I will say and what is motivating my discussion.
    - i. The relationship is more important than the disagreement.
  - I will choose my words and timing wisely.
    - i. I agree to wait 24 hours or longer if emotions are high.
  - I will communicate with an open heart and mind.
  - I will be open, honest and speak with kindness and respect.
  - If I can't resolve the difference, I will follow Matthew 18:15-17 and bring in another person such as a coach or parent.
    - i. If I still can't resolve it, I will bring in the athletic director.
    - ii. If it still isn't resolved, I will request a review by the CHANT board by placing my concerns in writing.
- I will encourage my athlete(s) to resolve problems with their coach or teammate by following the protocol in #4.
- I will refrain from criticizing the coaches, athletes, or game officials. Negativity is contagious.
- I will show proper sportsmanship and respect to game officials, opponents, and those in the stands.
  - I will avoid booing, taunting, sarcastic and personal comments directed at opposing players, referees, or fans.
- I will remember that I am at an athletic contest involving school students.
- I will refrain from yelling or waving objects at inappropriate times during the game.
  - I will not use noise makers to be distracting.
- I will make sure my athlete returns their equipment clean and at the agreed time.

- When attending any CHANT organized event, I will refrain from bringing or consuming alcohol, or any illegal substance.
  - I will also help supervise and chaperone the athletes attending this event.
- If there is concern that my athlete(s) is impaired, I will work alongside the coach and CHANT to determine the cause. I will also abide by the decision of the coach or CHANT knowing that they also have the best interest of my athlete(s) at heart.
- I agree to have my athlete's sports fee paid by the first game. If there are extenuating circumstances, I agree to discuss it with the treasurer of CHANT a.s.a.p.
  - If my athlete's sports fee is not paid in full by the first game, then my athlete may not get to participate until agreeable arrangements have been made.
- I understand if my athlete is let go from CHANT due to their behavior, or quits, they will not be refunded.

By signing below, you agree with the Parent's Code of Conduct.

Print **ATHLETE'S NAME(S)**: \_\_\_\_\_

**FATHER/Guardian's Printed Name**: \_\_\_\_\_

**FATHER/Guardian's Signature**: \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE**: \_\_\_\_\_

**MOTHER/Guardian's Printed Name**: \_\_\_\_\_

**MOTHER/Guardian's Signature**: \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE**: \_\_\_\_\_