

ALCDSB Athletics Code of Conduct — Updated Sept 2023

Team Prayer:

God created this day for gain not loss, success not failure, positive actions not negative thoughts. O Lord, inspire us with the wisdom to wisely use these gifts and talents you have so generously given to us. May we always treat others with the respect and dignity they deserve; and may we all have a safe and enjoyable day.

Amen.

Code of Conduct for Players

- Treat officials, other players and coaches with respect and dignity.
- Never verbally criticize players, coaches, spectators or event officials.
- Strive for success while playing fairly, following the rules and displaying the highest level of fair play.
- Do your best to be a true team player.
- Be generous when you win and gracious when you lose.
- Play for the love and the enjoyment of the game.
- Believe in the honesty of your opponents.

Code of Conduct for Referees & Officials

- Control the game effectively and respectfully by being courteous and considerate without sacrificing firmness.
- Be loyal to fellow referees and never knowingly promote criticism of them.
- Always maintain the utmost respect for the game and its players.
- Conduct yourself honourably at all times, maintaining the dignity of the game and its players.
- Review and be familiar with the tournament rules and guidelines.

Code of Conduct for Coaches

- Treat officials, other players and coaches with respect and dignity. Teach your players to do the same.
- Communicate in a positive and rational manner.
- Teach players to strive for success while playing fairly, following rules and displaying the highest level of sportsmanship.
- Remember — you are a leader and a positive role model for your students.
- Promote fun and enjoyment of the game for athletes over the desire to win at all costs.
- Be generous with praise for players of all teams.

Code of Conduct for Spectators

- Encourage good sportsmanship through your actions, by demonstrating positive support and respect for all players, coaches, officials and fellow spectators.
- Never verbally criticize or use inappropriate language, coaches, officials or other spectators.
- Promote fun and enjoyment of the game for all athletes over the desire to win at all costs.
- Remember that officials are often student volunteers—make your expectations realistic.