



Player Code of Conduct

The Catholic Charities CYO Athletic Program is designed to be representative of the Christian character in life. As Christians, we are constantly challenged to better ourselves. In team sports we strive for improvement both as individuals and as a group. The development of such values is the primary objective of CYO Athletics. CYO Athletics is the arena in which the youth athlete practices the principles of Christian values and also provides opportunities for healthy growth and development. Within this arena the coaches, directors, and participants must manifest and exemplify the ideals of a Christian life.

I will:

- Respect decisions made by contest officials.
- Be a role model by positively supporting teams and by not shouting instructions or criticism to the players, coaches or officials.
- Make no derogatory comments or gestures to officials or league administrators, players, coaches, or parents of the opposing team.
- Honor the Game and respect the game by playing hard and refusing to bend the rules to win.
- Honor the Game and respect my opponents by playing "fierce and friendly."
- Honor the Game and respect the officials by showing respect even when we disagree.
- Honor the Game and respect my teammates by being committed to them on and off the field.
- Honor the Game and respect myself by holding myself to a high standard even when others do not.

All players are expected to respect the rules of the games, the officials who administer the rules, and their decisions; respect opponents and acknowledge them for striving to do their best; and be an intense competitor on the field while behaving in a respectable manner at all times.

I hereby read and understand the above code of conduct policies that are an integral part of the Catholic Youth Organization.

Signed _____