



Special Recreation Association of Central Lake County

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SRACLC Crusaders Athletics Code of Conduct

The following is an adaptation of SRACLC's Code of Conduct intended for the use of all coaches, athletes and their guests when involved in Crusader Athletics programs or events. SRACLC appreciates everyone's effort in building and maintaining sportsmanship in our Crusader Athletics program.

Behavior

All coaches, athletes and their guests are expected to exhibit appropriate behavior at all times while participating, spectating or attending any program or activity sponsored by SRACLC. This includes participation in programs which may or may not require an admission fee. For the purpose of the Code of Conduct, the term "program" refers to all recreational events you may attend as an athlete, spectator or visitor which are sponsored by SRACLC.

Athletes and Their Guests Shall

1. Show respect to all athletes and program staff and/or supervisor.
2. Take direction from program staff and/or supervisors.
3. Refrain from using abusive or foul language.
4. Refrain from causing bodily harm to self, other athletes or program staff and/or supervisors.
5. Refrain from bullying other athletes or program staff and/or supervisors.
6. Show respect to equipment, supplies, and facilities.

Crusaders Coaches Shall

1. Demonstrate and promote positive sponsorship and teamwork.
2. Know the rules of the sport with regard to the sport-specific governing body and Special Olympics Standards.
3. Teach athletes skills to be successful and challenge them to help realize their potential.
4. Ensure that athletes get fair playing time; not necessarily equal playing time pending various factors including but not limited to injuries, sportsmanship and competition.
5. Take aside athletes to coach them through situations as needed.
6. Provide a coaching continuum from practice to games including pre- and post-game

Discipline

A positive approach is used when disciplining. Coaches will discuss the Crusader Athletics Code of Conduct with all athletes prior to the start of the season and will periodically review the Code of Conduct. If inappropriate behavior occurs, staff will develop a solution specific to each situation as it

arises. If an athlete, spectator or guest exhibits inappropriate behavior, the following guidelines will be followed:

Crusader Athletics Disciplinary Action Guidelines:

1. Verbal reminder of expectations from coach.
2. Supervised break from the program. Type of breaks may vary according to situation.
3. Communication between staff and the parent/guardian or athlete will occur if inappropriate behavior continues to occur. A meeting may be set up to discuss ways to prevent future inappropriate behavior at the program.
4. If inappropriate behavior continues, suspension from the program may be necessary.

Athlete Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Coach Signature