

# Corry School District's Code of Ethics for Coaches

- Have a fair, unprejudiced relationship to student-athletes.
- Teach student-athletes to win through legitimate means only. Striving to win at any cost is distinctly unethical.
- Give opponents full credit when they win.
- Control one's temper at all times.
- No use, and discourage the use of, profanity, obscene gestures, and/or obscene language.
- Recommend the use of competent contest officials and support their decisions. The coach should direct concerns and/or criticisms of contest officials through the appropriate review process and not criticize the actions or decisions of contest officials through the media or to student-athletes and/or spectators.
- Counteract unfounded rumors of questionable practices by opponents. To establish the truth or falsity of these rumors the coach should refer them directly to the authorities of the school concerned.
- Not recruit students for an athletic purpose.
- Maintain control of the team for which the coach is responsible.
- Dress appropriate for sport your coach.
- Adhere to the Corry School District's Guidelines concerning tobacco use.

## **PIAA SPORTSMANSHIP GUIDELINES FOR THE COACH**

- Exemplify the highest moral character, behavior, and leadership; adhering to strong ethical and integrity standards. Practicing good sportsmanship is practicing good citizenship!
- Respect the integrity and personality of the individual athlete.
- Abide by and teach the rules of the Contest in letter and in spirit.
- Set a good example for players and spectators to follow: please refrain from arguments in front of players and spectators; no gestures which indicate Contest officials or opposing coaches do not know what they are doing or talking about; no throwing of any object in disgust. Shake hands with Contest officials and opposing coaches before and after the Contest in full view of the public.
- Respect the integrity and judgment of Contest officials. The officials are doing their best to help promote athletics and the student/athlete. Treating them with respect, even if you disagree with their judgment, will only make a positive impression of you and your Team in the eyes of all people at the event.
- Display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat in public and in meeting/talking with the media.
- Please confine your remarks to Contest statistics and to the performance of your Team.
- Instruct participants and spectators in proper sportsmanship responsibilities and demand that they make sportsmanship the No. 1 priority.
- Develop a program that rewards participants and spectators for displaying proper sportsmanship and enforces penalties on those who do not abide by sportsmanship standards.
- Be no party to the use of profanity or obscene language, or improper actions. Do not permit student-athletes to use profanity during practice sessions.

I fully understand the Corry School District's Coaches Code of Ethics and the PIAA Sportsmanship guidelines for the coaches in the Corry Area School District.

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