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Huron Valley Schools believes that educational athletics are an integral part of the total educational program. Success is measured qualitatively by the development of character, and the essential elements of character are embodied in the tenets of sportsmanship, leadership, teamwork, responsibility, dedication and professionalism. Coaches serve to educate our student athletes and support the development of character. Coaches are expected to demonstrate the tenets of character, and the Coaches' Code of Conduct aligns with the tenets.

Sportsmanship

- The coach will assure that student athletes understand that they are expected to represent their school, team and teammates with honor on and off the field; as a positive role model, the coach will consistently exhibit good character and conduct.
- The coach will respect and support contest officials, and shall not indulge in conduct which would incite players or spectators against the officials; public criticism of officials or players is unethical.

Leadership

- The coach will be faithful to the mission to support competition in educational athletics and promote the development of character, and assure that the mission is not compromised to achieve sports performance goals
- The coach will always place the academic, emotional, physical and moral well-being of student athletes above desires and pressures to win.
- The coach will stress the importance of education beyond basic eligibility standards and work with faculty and parents to help student athletes set and achieve the highest academic goals.

Teamwork

- The coach will provide a challenging, enjoyable and successful experience for athletes by maintaining a sports environment that is physically and emotionally safe.
- The coach will maintain confidentiality, when appropriate, and avoid situations that would potentially create a conflict of interest or exploit the student athlete.

Responsibility

- The coach will be mindful of the high visibility and great influence that he or she has as a leader in our community.
- The coach will promote the entire interscholastic program and direct his or her program in harmony with the total district program.

Dedication

- The coach will place student athletes' needs and interests before their own professional/coaching needs and interests
- The coach will share in the education of student athletes about the dangers of unhealthy and illegal substances including alcohol, tobacco and recreational or performance-enhancing drug.

Professionalism

- The coach will be a positive role-model and will conduct himself or herself in a manner appropriate for the athletic classroom.
- The coach, through high ethical and moral conduct, will uphold the honor and dignity of the profession in all interactions with student athletes, parents, officials, media and the public.