

# OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL SCHOOL

## CODE OF CONDUCT FOR ATHLETES, COACHES AND PARENTS AND GENERAL AGREEMENT

### **D) ATHLETES/PLAYERS:**

1. Team members will be polite and respectful at all times to teammates, managers, opponents, officials, coaches and all other school personnel.
  - a. Treat opponents with respect; shake hands prior to and after contests.
  - b. Respect the judgment of officials and abide by the rules of the contest.
  - c. Positively represent the school and parish by displaying positive behavior at all times.
  - d. Play in a positive manner, reflecting Christian values. Do not taunt or bait opponents.
2. Athletes are responsible for placing academics and their behavior in school as their number one priority. Accordingly the following criteria apply:
  - a. A student who fails a course for the marking period is ineligible to participate in an athletic event for a period of 3 weeks, at which point grades are rechecked.
  - b. A student who receives a demerit will be subjected to the following:
    1. For every 10 demerits that a student receives they will have to sit out a game/meet.
    2. If a student accumulates a total of 20 demerits, they are no longer eligible to participate in league All-Star games and cannot be considered for any year end team awards.
    3. If a student accumulates a total of 30 demerits, they are no longer eligible to participate in any sport for the remainder of the school year.
3. Players should maintain good personal health through eating a balanced diet, drinking plenty of fluids and getting adequate rest.
4. Team members should display team unity, spirit, and a willingness to work together on and off the court.
5. Players are to accept that any suggestions or corrections made by the coaching staff are for the improvement of the team and/or the individual.
6. Athletes may not participate in a scheduled game or practice on a day they are absent from school.
7. If a player misses a practice or game on a day they are present in school, a written excuse must be provided.
8. Communication is a key ingredient to the success of a team. Athletes are encouraged to communicate openly and respectfully with their coaches.
9. Absolutely no usage of drugs or alcohol is permitted.

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### II) COACHES:

1. Coaches are to set a good example for participants and fans to follow, exemplifying the highest moral and ethical behavior.
2. Coaches will accept the judgment of officials and abide by the rules of the event.
3. Coaches are to instruct in a positive manner, reflecting Christian values.
4. Coaches will treat opposing coaches, officials, participants and fans with respect.
5. The coach is the ultimate authority in determining an athlete's team placement, playing time and position.
6. Parent/athlete and/or parent/coach interaction during game time is strictly prohibited.

### III) PARENTS/SPECTATORS:

1. Parents are to remain seated in the spectator area during the game.
2. Parents are to respect the decisions made by the coaching staff and the officials.
3. Parents are not to coach from the stands; be a positive roll model by supporting your child and their team. Avoid shouting criticisms to players, coaches, and /or officials.
4. Parents are not to make derogatory comments or gestures to players, coaches, and/or parents of the opposing team, officials or league administrators.
5. Parents are not to shout criticisms to coaches, athletes on either team or officials.

\*\* As you know, this is your athletic association, as such, you are invited to participate at the athletic association meetings. In order to effectively address your concerns, the school requests that you contact the athletic director, James Gulla, [jpgulla@verizon.net](mailto:jpgulla@verizon.net). The athletic director asks all parents and athletes to remember that the OLMC Athletic association is exclusively a volunteer driven organization. All coaches and leaders should be treated with respect and dignity. The future of OLMC athletics depends on our volunteers. We appreciate your continued support. Please contact the athletic director, James Gulla, [jpgulla@verizon.net](mailto:jpgulla@verizon.net), if you would like to become a volunteer.

### ENFORCEMENT:

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School, under the supervision of the parish and athletic association, shall enforce this code of conduct. Complaints regarding violations of the code shall be first brought to the attention of the athletic director. Coaches, athletes or parents/spectators may be placed on probation and/or suspension from teams or events by determination of the athletic director.

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I(We) have read the **OLMC Code of Conduct and General Agreement**. I(We) agree to follow these guidelines in my (our) participation at all athletic activities/events.

Player's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Player's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_