

CODE OF CONDUCT**COACHES**

- I understand that as a coach or official, I must be a positive role model for the players and parents, and that I will exert a tremendous influence, either good or bad, in the education of the players. I will strive to instill in every child a sense of self-esteem, responsibility, confidence, dignity, and self discipline, through an emphasis on fair play, teamwork, leadership, scholarship, respect, and the rules of CYSL sports.
- I will never place the value of winning, or my own personal satisfactions, above the value of instilling the highest desirable ideals of character and Christianity, that is consistent with a Catholic School Education.
- As a coach or official, I will devote time, thought, planning, and study to the rules of the game. I will prepare a practice and game plan realizing that this will best enable me to teach team sports. I will make every effort to attend all league provided training and meetings.
- I agree that CYSL sports are intended to be enjoyable experiences for everyone involved and as a coach or official, I will set a fun tone for both practices and games. I will also strive to create an environment that eliminates a child's fear of failure and promote the challenges of learning new skills. I will ensure that each child has the opportunity to play a roughly equivalent portion of each game.
- As a coach, I am totally responsible for my team's players, staff, and spectators. I am also responsible for instructing everyone on the league's expectations for game field behavior. All forms of hostility toward an official, coach, child, opposing team parent, or league director are unacceptable and have no place in this league.
- I will take an active role in the prevention of drug, alcohol, and tobacco use, and under no circumstances will partake or allow these activities to occur during practices or games.
- As an example to the children, before and after the game, I will establish a Christian tone by exchanging friendly greetings. I will teach the children that both teammates and opponents are entitled to be treated with respect and dignity, and if my team should lose, then their focus is on improving on the team's performance and not on what the other team, coach, or official did.
- Officials will have the total respect and support of the coach. I will not indulge in conduct that will incite players or spectators against the officials. Public criticism of officials or touching of the officials is unethical and will result in disciplinary action.
- I will ensure that I have been FBI fingerprinted through the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee, and complete the online Youth Protection- Shield the Vulnerable.
- I will ensure that if I am unable to be present at a game or practice, that at least one other coach/parent volunteer is present.
- I WILL HAVE FUN!

I understand that should my behavior violate this code of conduct, I will accept any disciplinary action as determined by league officials.

School:	
Coach's Name (print)	
Signature and Date	