

2023 PARRAMATTA DIOCESAN CODE OF CONDUCT



Catholic Schools
Parramatta Diocese

The Parramatta Diocesan Primary Schools Sports Council acknowledges the place sport plays in our daily lives. We value respect for ourselves and respect for others. It is important how the game is played and the manner in which our players, officials, parents and spectators conduct themselves.

We require all involved in our sporting activities to abide by the following Codes of Conduct which are based on principles of **'Sport Australia Codes of Behaviour.'**

Players

- ❖ Play by the rules at all times
- ❖ Never argue with an official.
- ❖ Control my temper. Will not abuse officials or sledge other players.
- ❖ Work hard for themselves and their team.
- ❖ Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they are made by my team or the opposition.
- ❖ Treat all participants in the sport as I would like to be treated.
- ❖ Cooperate with the coach, my team-mates and opponents.
- ❖ Show quality sportsmanship by thanking officials and opposing team members at the end of games.
- ❖ Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, abilities, cultural background or religion.
- ❖ Inform school officials prior to departure.
- ❖ I understand that failure to adopt and practise the above-mentioned Codes of Behaviour will result in the forfeiture of future representative opportunities.

Parents

- ❖ Remember that children participate in sport for their enjoyment, not yours.
- ❖ Respect officials' decisions and teach children to do likewise.
- ❖ Focus on your child's efforts and performance rather than the final score.
- ❖ Encourage children to play according to the rules and to settle agreements without resorting to hostility and violence
- ❖ Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a competition
- ❖ Show appreciation for volunteer and employed coaches, officials and administrators.
- ❖ Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
- ❖ Remember that children learn best by example. Appreciate good performance and skillful play by ALL participants
- ❖ Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, abilities, cultural background or religion
- ❖ Support all competitions by ensuring your child's attendance until the completion of their events.
- ❖ I will adopt and practise the above-mentioned Codes of Behaviour