



**St. Sebastian Athletics**  
**Booster Club**  
**CYO CODE OF CONDUCT**

**I. COACHES/ASSISTANT COACHES:**

Acceptable standards of coaching behavior include:

1. Set a good example for participants and fans to follow, exemplifying the highest moral and ethical behavior.
2. Respect the judgment of officials and abide by rules of the event.
3. Treat opposing coaches, participants, fans and players with respect.
4. Instruct participants in sportsmanship and demand they display good sportsmanship.
5. Coach in a positive manner, reflecting Catholic values.
6. Make sure no child is left at a practice without adult supervision.
7. Be supportive after the game, win or lose. Recognize good effort, teamwork and sportsmanship.
8. Know the rules of the sport and the policies of the league.
9. Discipline any player who breaks any of the code of conduct and report it to the sport coordinator.
10. Undergo a background check by submitting a form to the parish (forms can be picked up in the rectory-if applicable).
11. Complete Virtus training with the Arch Diocese of Detroit:  
<http://www.aod.org/our-archdiocese/protecting-children/>
12. Follow all eligibility rules.

**II. ATHLETES:**

Acceptable standards of participant behavior include:

1. Treat opponents and teammates with respect.
2. Respect the judgment of officials and abide by the rules of the game.
3. Accept seriously the responsibility of representing the parish by displaying positive behavior at all times.
4. Play in a positive manner, reflecting Catholic values. Do not bait or taunt opponents.
5. Athletes are expected to show good sportsmanship and play by the rules. They should be supportive of all members of their team.
6. Athletes are expected to be present and on time for all practices and games unless they contact their coach ahead of time.

**III. PARENTS / GUARDIANS:**

Acceptable standards of spectator behavior include:

1. Remember that the players are children and are competing for their enjoyment, not yours.
2. Remain seated in the spectator area during practices and games.
3. Respect decisions made by officials.
4. Be a role model by positively supporting teams and by not shouting instructions or criticism to the players, coaches or officials. Do not coach from the stands.
5. Make no derogatory comments or gestures to players, coaches, and parents of the opposing team, officials or league administrators.

**COMPLAINT PROCESS**

If any parent/players feels that there has been a violation of the Code of Conduct, follow these steps:

1. Wait 24 hours.
2. Go to the coach and explain the problem.
3. If you can't go to the coach or did not find a solution with the coach, go to the Athletic Direction
4. If you still did not find a solution, send a written complaint to St. Sebastian Booster Club Committee.