



MBBC Code of Conduct

Good behaviour and sportsmanship on the sports field is an expected component of the MBBC Code of Conduct. Please refer to the following for full details on the Code of Conduct.

In General

- Conduct all competition in friendship and with fair play and uphold the spirit of the rules.
- Be aware that competitive sport is for enjoyment and that winning is only part of the process.
- Observe the special position of a host school and a guest school.
- Be aware of the fundamental philosophical differences between the games played and professional games shown on television. The professional is an entertainer and a wage earner whose play often reflects these facts.

Participants

- Maintain a high standard of conduct at all times, both on and off the field.
- Each and every player should be an example of good sportsmanship.
- Appreciate the good play of opponents and accept the mistakes made by fellow players.
- Play the game hard but not unfairly.
- Never show ill-temper or spite. Give assistance to opponents, where it appears desirable.
- Meet the coach and captain of an opposing team when possible.
- Give congratulations, thanks and cheers, as appropriate, to captains and/or players of opposing teams.
- Obey the orders or instructions of the umpire, referee or designated official quickly and cheerfully and accept any decisions, however unfavourable, without question.
- The use of drugs, including pain killers, to improve or maintain the performance of any individual player or group of players is contrary to the philosophy of this Code.
- Contribute to the team effort as well as to one's personal performance.
- Use barracking to encourage but not to hinder.

Parents and Spectators

- Remember that children learn best by example. Always applaud good performances by the visiting team as well as your own. Never use profane language or harass coaches or officials.
- Teach your child that honest effort is as important as victory so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment.
- Help your child work toward skill improvement and good sportsmanship.
- Never ridicule or yell at your child for making a mistake or losing a

- competition.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from children's sporting activities.
- Recognise the value and importance of coaches. Support them in their decisions and do not coach from the sideline unless the sport permits this.

Coaches

- Be reasonable in your demands on the young players' time, energy and enthusiasm. Remember that they have other interests.
- Accept the decisions of referees and umpires; this does not preclude rational clarification of decisions at a subsequent time.
- Teach your competitors that rules of the sport are mutual agreements which no one should evade or break.
- Under no circumstances is there to be deliberate bending of the General Competition Rules and By-Laws for the various sports.
- Discourage time wasting and time wasting actions, over-vigorous play and deliberate use of illegal tactics.
- Develop team respect for the ability of opponents as well as for the judgement of officials and opposing coaches.
- Remember the children need a coach they can respect. Be generous with your praise when it is deserved and set a good example.
- Follow the advice of a physician when determining when an injured player is ready to play again.
- Ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards.
- **Students must understand that the College views these behavioural expectations seriously and any breach of the same can result in exclusion or suspension from the College.**