

**EXPECTATIONS OF COACHES, ATHLETES, SUPERVISORS AND CHAPERONES**

Turtle Mountain School Division and our schools expect coaches:

- ❖ to maintain a genuine knowledge of that which he/she proposed to teach
- ❖ to offer inspiration and sound judgement to the members of his or her term as well as to teach skills and techniques of the game
- ❖ maintain and promote a respect for the rules of the game, its officials and the players on and off the playing field
- ❖ comply with and enforce all rules of eligibility reporting all known infractions to the commissioner
- ❖ encourage all team members to maintain a high academic performance
- ❖ maintain a fair, unprejudiced relationship with all team members
- ❖ encourage all team members to compete fairly and to the best of their ability while maintaining the best possible academic performance
- ❖ take a strong stand against all unsportsman-like conduct
- ❖ maintain self-control at all times, accepting decisions of officials and respecting the integrity and judgement of the game officials.
- ❖ Coaches are encouraged to complete the 3-hour on-line Respect in Sport program.
- ❖ Remember that there is no place in school athletics before, during, or after an event for the use of drugs or alcohol of any kind.

The Division and schools expect the athlete to:

- ❖ Conduct himself/herself at all times with honour and dignity by accepting and understanding the seriousness of your RESPONSIBILITY, and the PRIVILEGE of representing your school and community.
- ❖ Treat visiting teams, spectators, and officials as they would like to be treated as a guest or a friend.
- ❖ Faithfully complete school work and maintain regular attendance as practical evidence of their loyalty to school and team.
- ❖ Respect the authority of the supervising teachers and/or coaches as well as the rules and regulations of the host school.
- ❖ Remember that there is no place in school athletics before, during, or after an event for the use of drugs or alcohol of any kind.
- ❖ Maintain a high degree of physical fitness.
- ❖ Be fair at all times no matter what the cost.
- ❖ Respect the integrity and judgement of game officials. The officials are doing their best. Treating them with respect, even if you disagree with their judgement, will make a positive impression of the athletic team in the eyes of the officials and people at the event.
- ❖ Always put forth his/her best effort.

## **Guidelines for Supervisors and Chaperones:**

- ❖ Where two or more staff members are travelling with groups of students, a meeting shall be convened before the departure dates:
  - to determine schedule of on-duty/off-duty
  - to determine rules/regulations which will be consistent i.e. curfew times, etc.
- ❖ On out-of-town trips requiring one overnight stay, coaches/chaperones shall be “on-duty” from time of departure from the home school to time of return to the home school.
- ❖ On trips of longer duration, coaches/chaperones should determine a schedule whereby people may have a chance to relax away from the students. The person “on-duty” has complete authority over the students in his/her care and the person “off-duty” will not in any way interfere with the decisions of the “on-duty” person.
- ❖ The “off-duty” person shall notify the “on-duty” person as to how they can be contacted in an emergency.
- ❖ Chaperones/coaches will abstain from alcohol for the duration of the school trips.
- ❖ Coaches/chaperones will not permit visitors to the students’ rooms if staying in a hotel. While billeted in a school, coaches/chaperones will make sure that students follow the rules/regulations of the host school.
- ❖ No consumption or possession of alcohol, tobacco products or drugs will be permitted by students, supervisors or chaperones at any time. Coaches/chaperones must be prepared to enforce Division policy.
- ❖ If students will be arriving home later than scheduled, coaches/chaperones shall make arrangements for the students to call their parents (collect) and inform them of estimated time of arrival.
- ❖ Coaches/chaperones must provide parents/legal guardians with schedules and trip itineraries. Confirmation (permission slips) must be provided by parents/legal guardians for student participation in overnight trips.
- ❖ Male or female coaches/chaperones must accompany male or female teams respectively for overnight trips. (Exceptions as per Policy I-6).
- ❖ Coaches/supervisors must view the drivers’ licenses and vehicle registrations of volunteers using private vehicles to transport students. Volunteers are to be informed that a minimum \$1 million liability insurance is recommended for private vehicles transporting students.

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