



## ST. LEONARD SCHOOL – ATHLETIC COACH CODE OF CONDUCT

School Year: \_\_\_\_\_

The function of a St. Leonard coach is to educate students through participation in athletic competition. Our athletic program is designed to enhance academic achievement and should never interfere with opportunities for academic success. Each student should be treated with the utmost respect and his or her welfare should be considered in decisions by coaches at all times.

### **As a St. Leonard Coach, I therefore agree to the following:**

I will uphold the honor and dignity of St. Leonard School in all interactions, including contacts with students, parents, officials, athletic directors, and school administrators.

I will promote the entire academic and character program of the school and will manage my team or program in harmony with the total school program.

I am aware that I have a tremendous influence on each athlete's education and will never place the value of winning above the value of instilling the highest ideals of character.

I will do my best to master the contest rules and teach them to the athletes I coach. I will not seek an advantage by circumvention of the spirit or letter of the rules.

I will work to ensure that every athlete has the opportunity to excel in a sport and provide equal access to coaching and competition to all athletes I coach. I will not favor my own child over any other athlete I coach in regards to practices, play time, or awards.

I will exert my influence to enhance sportsmanship by all athletes and spectators, both directly and by working closely with the Athletic Director and administrators.

I will respect and support contest officials. I will not indulge in conduct which would incite players or spectators against the officials.

I will meet and exchange cordial greetings with the opposing coach to set the correct tone for the event before and after the contest.

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Coach's Name

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Coach's Signature Date