

# Concordia Christian Academy Athletic Programs

## Purpose

The athletic program should directly and indirectly further the Christian education of each participant.

The fundamental principle for competitive activities is to add to the development of the whole Christian youth. It should promote and supplement the regular curriculum of the school.

## Desired Outcomes

Teaching and experiencing the basic fundamentals and strategies of each sport is important to the athletic growth, knowledge, and development of each participant. However, we also as a Christian community see some other very important values that need to be taught, modeled and upheld.

Athletic events are very public and actions by few (players, fans, or coaches) will say a great deal about who or what we represent. Our conduct and sportsmanship is always on display no matter who we are or where we are. We always need to keep foremost in our mind who we do represent in all we think, do, or say. We feel that we represent: 1. Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, 2. Our School, 3. Our Team, and 4. Ourselves, in this particular order.

Good conduct and sportsmanship is making comments in practices or games that build up other individuals around us. Booing, yelling or screaming at officials or players, taunting individuals and humiliating others are all unacceptable behavior. Positive behavior is expected by all which includes: players, fans, head coaches and assistant coaches.

## Our Commitment

1. Coaches recognize the fact that every player wants to play all the time in games
2. Coaches have a desire to play every player on his/her team as much as possible every game (not necessarily equal amounts of play time)
3. Coaches will strive to provide an age appropriate experience for the players (winning is everything vs helping all players experience some opportunities to play)
4. Coaches will attempt to play players in situations where the each player can feel successful

## Concerns

We realize all sin and come short of the glory of God. However, we always need to be striving for the best that we can be. Still there, can be areas of concerns. How we all handle concerns is very important.

1. Set up a time with the coach or parent of concern and talk to them one on one and work out the differences (Do not confuse being heard with getting your desired way.)
2. If this does not work then contact and involve the school's athletic director
3. Further concerns that just seem not to be able to be resolved should then be taken next to the Principal

If you cannot support a coach in a positive way or if your conduct is not representative of the four areas the school represents...then it may be better for your child and for you not to participate in or be involved in any way with the athletic programs at Concordia Christian Academy.

## PARENT/PLAYER COMMITMENT

I (We) as parent(s) of \_\_\_\_\_ will be supportive of all those who will be  
(Student's Name)

involved with the \_\_\_\_\_ program at Concordia Christian Academy. I will do my  
(Sport team)

best to be positive in all I say, do, or think concerning coaches, players, referees, and those who are from other schools.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



**PLEASE NOTICE:** Please provide us with a current email address so that changes can be sent to you immediately. This is very important. Thank you!

**Mom: Email Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dad: Email Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student: Email Address** \_\_\_\_\_