## St. Celestine Athletic Committee Code of Conduct for Parents/Guardians and Members

## The intention of the Athletic Program is to:

- Teach children teamwork and sportsmanship
- Teach children the individual skill of the sport
- Balance the spiritual and intellectual activities with physical activity and exercise
- Give children an alternative to television, video games and walking the streets
- Encourage parents to become active supporters of this program

## In keeping with these goals:

- Parents, Guardians, Committee and Family members shall show respect to Coaches, Referees, Committee Members and other parents and guardians.
- No Parents, Guardians, Committee and Family members shall use abusive language nor make derogatory remarks in the presence of any player or players.
- No Parents, Guardians, Committee and Family members shall openly ridicule the performance of any player, with anyone when any player could overhear such discussions.
- No Parents, Guardians, Committee and Family members shall, nor allow any player or family member to directly dispute or question any decision with a referee.
- No Parents, Guardians, Committee and Family members shall instill a "win at all cost" attitude in any player or players.
- Use of the school gym and building is a privilege that we earn with every use. The Parents, Guardians, Committee and Family members must assist in leaving the facilities in as good or better condition than when they arrived.
- St. Celestine School students who have completed the athletic registration, who are in good academic standing and attend practice regularly are eligible to play.
- Individual coaches and moderators may issue team rules consistent with the goals of the Athletic Committee, with Athletic Committee approval.
- In all instructional and intramural programs, playing time shall be as close to equal as possible.
- In competitive play (games against other schools), eligible players who are present and on time for a scheduled game shall play.
- Coaches should work toward developing the team and skills in lower grades and not judged on their records, but on how the team and players improved each year.
- Coaches are encouraged to develop players at the lower grades, so that the team is competitive at the upper grade levels.
- Parents should consult with the coach about playing time, in a fair manner, respecting the coach. The Athletic Committee is available to hear reasonable complaints.
- All coaches and any assistants must complete and sign any required forms from St. Celestine School and Church.
- No person shall actively participate in any coaching activities until he/she has personally signed a coach's copy of this code of ethics and has undergone the required background check and training.
- Two adults must be present at all practices and games. (Those adults must be compliant with the background check and training requirements.)

I promise to abide by the rules and rulings of the St. Celestine Athletic Committee. I promise to endeavor to set and be an example to the importance of respecting authority both on and off the competition area. I promise to work for the betterment of the entire program/organization.

I have read and understand the above Code of Ethics, and promise to abide by this code to the best of my ability or forfeit my rights as a member of this organization.

Print Name:	Child's Name:	Date:
Signature:	Relationship:	