



ABBEY GATE COLLEGE SPORTS TEAM - CODES OF CONDUCT

Code of Conduct for Players

All players are expected to:

- Regard it as an honour and privilege to represent a school team
- Treat a match as a game that is fun but play by the rules
- Take pride in your performance and that of your school
- Encourage others in your team to do their best
- Enjoy participating - it should be fun
- Accept all decisions by match officials
- Let the Captain speak to the referee on behalf of the team if decisions made by the match officials need to be clarified
- Recognise outstanding performances by opponents
- Demonstrate concern for an injured player, regardless of their team
- Accept victory modestly
- Learn to take defeat in the right manner and not to make excuses as to why you may not have been successful
- Shake hands with your opponents at the end of each game, regardless of the outcome
- Thank the referee, or umpire and their assistants for their efforts
- Thank the opposition coach/manager/member of staff (certainly the Captain should do this)
- Demonstrate fair play and sportsmanship in all situations



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Code of Conduct for Team Managers

All staff and coaches must:

- Put the well-being and safety of players above all other considerations
- Display sportsmanship in all situations
- Display high standards of behaviour and appearance
- Be a good role model for all those in your care
- Enjoy yourself and in so doing promote enjoyment for others
- Be responsible for your actions
- Encourage your supporters to display a sportsmanlike attitude
- Guide and encourage players to accept responsibility for their own behaviour and performance
- Respect and uphold the Laws of the Game and discourage actions and behaviour contrary to the spirit of the Laws of the Game
- Use acceptable and appropriate language at all times and in all situations



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Code of Conduct for Parents, Peers and Supporters

All Parents, Peers and Supporters:

- Attendance at a game is a privilege
- Respect decisions made by the match officials
- Be a good role model by positively supporting teams in every way possible and be generous with praise
- Become aware of the competition rules and keep winning in its proper place
- Respect other spectators, coaches and participants
- Be a fan not a fanatic
- Recognise and respect the performances of players in both teams, not just the team that you are supporting
- Accept victory modestly and defeat graciously
- Stand or sit in the place that you have been allocated for the match
- Never interfere with instructions given by the teacher/coach in charge of the team
- Remember that nearly all those who control school sports matches are volunteers, giving of their time freely and without any financial reward in most cases - respect them for this
- Abide by the codes of conduct expected from players, coaches and staff