

St. Thomas and St. Timothy Middle School Code of Conduct for Coaches/Athletic Staff 2023-2024

Coaches and athletic staff shall:

1. Support the Catholic identity of St. Thomas and St. Timothy Middle School and team by leading the team in prayer before each practice and competition.
2. Complete all required background checks, Virtus training as required by the Archdiocese of Hartford.
3. Provide proof of vaccination.
4. Exemplify the highest moral character, behavior, and leadership; adhering to strong ethical and integrity standards.
5. Will never place the value of winning, or his/her own personal satisfactions, above the value of instilling the highest desirable ideals of character and Christianity that are consistent with a Catholic school education.
6. Support and adhere to all Archdiocesan school and league policies regarding athletic programs set down in this handbook.
7. Work collaboratively with other school, league and Archdiocesan officials in reviewing athletic programs, policies, and procedures to make the sporting experience more beneficial to the students.
8. Respect the integrity and personality of the individual athlete.
9. Abide by and teach the rules of the sport both in letter and in spirit.
10. Set a good example for players and spectators to follow by refraining from arguments in front of players and spectators, gestures which indicate disagreement with or disregard for contest officials or opposing coaches, throwing objects.
11. Set a good example for players and spectators by publicly shaking hands with contest officials and opposing coaches in welcome, gratitude and congratulations.
12. Respect the integrity of contest officials.
13. Display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.
14. Confine remarks to contest statistics and to the performance of your team.
15. Instruct participants and spectators in proper sportsmanship responsibilities and demand that they make good sportsmanship a high priority.
16. Refrain from the use of profanity or obscene language or improper actions. Ensure that student athletes do the same.
17. Refrain from the use of alcohol or tobacco during practices and competitions and take an active role in preventing students from the use of such products.
18. Encourage parent/guardian participation and observation as is practicable.

Signature of Coach/Assistant Coach: _____ Date: _____