



GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR CHS COACHES

Exemplify Godly character in everything you do.

Teach Godly character traits through your sport so your players can display these traits to their opponents.

Health and safety of the athletes is a must.

Exemplify behavior that is a credit to the coaching profession.

Delegate responsibility, but do not relinquish supervision – give players leadership roles.

Produce a sense of pride through hard work.

Make it fun; do not motivate through fear.

Blend sincere praise with constructive criticism; look for positive accomplishment.

Your actions often determine action of others.

Do not place yourself or your assistant in a compromising situation with students.

Foster a professional relationship with officials and respect their authority. Praise good calls; don't just criticize poor ones.

You may be the only stabilizing factor in the life of a teenage athlete.

Promote the “we” concept – the status of being a team members.

Never bond your team by selecting a “common enemy.”

Treat all players as if he/she were your own – would I want my child treated in this fashion?

Don't turn your back to problems; players will lose respect for you.

Deal with unpleasant situations behind closed doors.

Strictly adhere to finance guidelines.

Communication is critical, both with parents and athletes.

FINAL REMINDER

Years from now, it won't matter whether an athlete could field a line drive or make a left-handed lay-up. But, the self-esteem, attitudes toward achievement and the understanding of success as maximum effort and improving skills that are instilled in them through sports, can make winners today and tomorrow.