

# BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN SCHOOL

## ATHLETIC CODE OF CONDUCT AGREEMENT

The School VIT and Athletic Department have developed the following “Code of Conduct” with the goal of creating an environment that encourages, develops, and strengthens our students, coaches and parents in a way that is consistent with our Christian beliefs.

As a Lutheran school, we want to encourage and teach student-athletes Christian Conduct and sportsmanship as they gain knowledge about their athletic sport and competition. As student-athletes, parents, fans, and coaches, we are to encourage and display respect for the game and its officials. We are to welcome and respect opposing teams that walk onto our courts/fields.

The following guidelines have been developed to emphasize what we feel is proper conduct for our student-athletes, coaches, and fans:

### **Student-Athletes:**

- Place academic achievement as the highest priority.
- Show respect to opposing players, coaches, referees, parents, and spectators; does not argue, treats opponents as a guest and a friend.
- Does not use profanity or vulgar actions at any time.
- Exhibit fair play, sportsmanship, and proper conduct on and off the playing field.
- Display positive behavior and Christian values at all games and practices.
- Win with humility, lose with grace. Give thanks to God for skills and abilities to play and participate.
- Show Christ-like behavior both on and off the court/field throughout the school year and seasons.

### **Parents (Fan):**

- Show respect to officials for their judgment of calls.
- Promote the emotional and physical well-being of your child ahead of any personal desire you have for your child to win.
- Be a positive role model for your child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials, and spectators at every game, practice, or sporting event.
- Make no derogatory comments or gestures to players, coaches, spectators of the opposing team, or officials before, during, or after a sporting event.
- Never use profane, obscene, or vulgar language or gestures at any time.
- Act in a way that brings glory to God before, during, and after games or competition events.

*With your signature below, you are aligning yourself with this Code of Conduct Agreement and guidelines for participation in all BLS sporting activities. I understand as a student-athlete, parent, and/or fan that consequences will be given if this agreement is not followed.*

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**Signature of Student-Athlete**

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**Signature of Parent/Guardian**

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**Signature of Athletic Director**

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**Date**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Parent(s) Name \_\_\_\_\_

Circle Sport: Soccer Volleyball Basketball Track

Parent/Guardian Home # \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Work/Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

Bethlehem Lutheran School
Parent Permission for Athletic Participation (2019 - 2020)

- 1. Before an athlete is permitted to participate in the Bethlehem Lutheran School athletic program for any sport, this permission form must be signed and on file with the school.
2. Bethlehem Lutheran School is relieved of any and all liability for accidents or injuries connected in any way with the competitive athletic program.
3. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to provide insurance protection for the athlete while participating in competitive sports.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_
Parent/Guardian Signature

- 4. If the school is not taking a bus for an away event, you are responsible to provide a ride for your child. I am aware that my son/daughter may be riding to a scheduled athletic event with a "Qualified Driver's Certificate" driver who has a valid driver's license and insurance verification on file in the school office.

\_\_\_ My child has permission to ride with a "Qualified Driver." \_\_\_ My child can only ride with his/her parent/guardian.

NOTE: Although participation in supervised school athletic and activities programs are among the least hazardous events in which any student will engage either in or out of school, the very nature of these school athletics and activities programs does create potential for injury. Parents should be aware that the chance of injury is present while students are participating in school athletics and activities and should understand this includes a risk of injury that may range in severity from minor to long term catastrophic up to and including death. Those parents who do not wish to expose their son/daughter to this possibility should not sign this permission form.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_
Parent/Guardian Signature

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PHYSICIAN STATEMENT FOR ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION

I hereby certify that I have examined \_\_\_\_\_ and that the student was found physically fit to engage in soccer, volleyball, and basketball. (Please cross out those in which the student should NOT participate.)

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_
Physician, Physician Assist. Or Nurse Practitioner
Valid 365 days unless rescinded.

SUMMARY INFORMATION FOR PHYSICIAN

No pupil shall represent his/her school in inter-school athletics until there is a statement signed by his parent(s) or legal guardian and a practicing physician that he/she has passed an adequate physical examination within the past year; that in the opinion of the examining physician he/she is physically fit to participate in athletics; and that he/she has the consent of his/her parent(s) or legal guardian to participate on file with the school.

NOTE: It is strongly recommended by the Colorado Department of Health that individuals participating in athletic events have current tetanus boosters. Tetanus boosters are recommended every ten years throughout life. Boosters are recommended at the time of major injury if more than five years have elapsed since the last booster. If significant intervening illnesses and/or injuries have occurred, a more complete physical examination should be conducted. A practicing physician must sign the physical examination. If a student has been injured in practice or competition, the nature of which required medical attention, the student athlete should not be permitted to return to practice and/or competition until he/she has received a release from a practicing physician.