

## **RAPID CITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM CODE OF CONDUCT**

The following Code of Conduct for participation in Fine Art or Athletic activities in the RCCSS is in accordance with the mission and purposes of the school system.

### **Preamble**

Interscholastic activities and youth activity programs play an important role in promoting the physical, social and emotional development of children within our school system. It is, therefore, essential for parents, coaches, and officials to encourage participants to embrace the values of good sportsmanship in all athletic and fine art activities and also embrace appropriate conduct at these events consistent with our vision as a Catholic school system. Moreover, adults involved in these events should be models of good behavior and should lead by example by demonstrating fairness, respect and self-control.

**I, therefore, pledge to be responsible for my words and actions while attending, advising, teaching, coaching, officiating or participating in the RCCSS Fine Arts or Athletic activities and shall conform my behavior to the following Code of Conduct:**

### **Students**

1. I will not engage in inappropriate conduct with any coach, advisor, teacher, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
2. I will not engage in any behavior which could endanger the health, safety, or well-being of any coach, advisor, teacher, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
3. I will not use drugs or alcohol during my time in the RCCSS. My time in the RCCSS means 24/7/365. I have read and understand the school system's policy relating to drugs and alcohol. I also understand that my presence at a party or place where alcohol and/or drugs are present, makes me guilty by association.
4. I will not engage in the use of profanity.
5. I will treat any coach, advisor, teacher, parent, player, participant, official and any other attendee with respect regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation or ability.
6. I will not engage in verbal or physical threats or abuse aimed at any coach advisor, teacher, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
7. I will not initiate a fight or scuffle with any coach, advisor, teacher, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
8. I understand that attending the Rapid City Catholic Schools, a private institution, is a privilege and not a requirement. Attendance at the schools is based on the Code of Conduct.

**I further hereby agree that if I fail to conform my conduct to the foregoing while attending, or participating in an event, I will be subject to disciplinary action, including, but not limited to, the following in any order or combination:**

1. Verbal warning.
2. Written warning.
3. Immediate ejection or dismissal from further participation, or suspension from a future event.
4. Suspension from multiple events.
5. Season suspension or multiple season suspension.

## Parents

1. As a parent, I will not encourage my child, or any person, to engage in inappropriate conduct with any coach, advisor, teacher, parent, player, participant, official, and/or any other attendee.
  2. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to engage in any behavior which could endanger the health, safety or well-being of any coach, advisor, teacher, parent, player, participant, official, and/or any other attendee.
  3. As a parent, I will not permit my child, or encourage any other person, to use drugs or alcohol at an event and will not permit my child, or encourage any other person, to attend, coach, officiate, or participate in an event while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
  4. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to engage in the use of profanity.
  5. I will encourage my child to treat any coach, advisor, teacher, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee with respect regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, or sexual orientation.
  6. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to initiate a fight or scuffle with any coach, advisor, teacher, parent, player, participant, official, and/or any other attendee.
  7. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to engage in verbal or physical threats or abuse aimed at any coach, advisor, teacher, parent, player, participant, official, and/or any other attendee.
  8. I the parent/guardian understand, that if in fact, we (the RCCSS) investigate and find out that you the parent/guardian are providing alcohol or are hosting parties where alcohol and/or drugs are present, all students involved will be guilty by association. You as the parent/guardian will be turned into the local police authorities.
  9. I understand that attending the Rapid City Catholic Schools, a private institution, is a privilege and not a requirement. Attendance at the schools is based on the Code of Conduct.
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