



Wilmington Christian Athletics Coaches Code of Conduct

At WCS, our athletic purpose is 1) **glorify God**, and 2) **further develop our Christian character** in connection with WCS's overall vision, mission, and core values.

Our competitive philosophy is known as **TO.BY.FOR**. At WCS we compete:

- According **TO** God's Word
- **BY** God's power
- **FOR** God's glory

Coaches are expected set the example for our athletic purpose, and competitive philosophy. In addition, the following principles will apply:

- Familiarize yourself with WCS's overall Mission, Vision, and Core Values, as well as the portrait of a Godly influencer and coach accordingly.
- Coaches should endeavor to know their players in a personal way, so that they can guide them in all appropriate areas of life.
- Coaches should never shame a player but correct in an uplifting way. Discipline with a gentle yet firm spirit. Avoid sarcasm.
- Each player should be treated as part of our family and deserves every chance to succeed and be treated with the utmost respect.
- Coaches can disagree in meetings but never in front of our players or anyone else outside of our family. Disagreements must be saved for private meetings.
- Look for opportunities to share life experiences with players off the field of competition. This could be in times of prayer, fellowship during meals, community service or worship.
- Parents are our partners. I strive to work with each family in helping their child succeed.
- Do not use profanity.
- When mistakes are made publicly, apologize publicly; when mistakes are made personally, apologize personally.
- Treat all opposing coaches and their teams with honor deserving of true competitors.
- Show the utmost respect to all referees, officials, and timekeepers.

Because I am a role model who has the power, position and platform to make a positive difference in the lives of my players, I commit to this code of conduct. When failing to live up to our standards I will allow for accountability and take responsibility for my actions.

Signature _____

Date _____