



West Carrollton Athletic Department Points of Emphasis

Excellence in Sportsmanship

A primary emphasis in athletics at West Carrollton will be sportsmanship. We will strive to be the Golden Standard in sportsmanship.

Parents/Fans

We expect the following from our parents and fans:

- **Respect the game.** Your child is being asked to accept the responsibility and privilege of representing West Carrollton. A part of this responsibility is showing respect for official's decisions, showing respect for opponents, and encouraging all to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence. We ask that you do the same.
- **Model how to win, how to lose, and how to respond to officials.** **There is no tolerance for arguing with officials.** It is a blatant example of poor sportsmanship, it **will not** change the call, and it **increases the likelihood of more bad calls.** More importantly, **it weakens the reputation of West Carrollton High School and all parties associated with it.**
- **Conduct yourself the same way you expect your child to conduct themselves around you.** Whenever you step over the line, you are inviting them to do the same. **We will not tolerate any profanity at our events.**
- Any spectators that are removed from a game by the officials or administration will be required to take a mandatory online course before they are welcomed back to any athletic events.

General Expectations

To ensure the safety and success of our athletic programs:

- ***Coaches are responsible for athletes from the time school gets out until their practice/games are over.*** Your child is expected to be with his/her coaches before, during and after practices & games.
- ***Parents spectate, Coaches coach.*** During games, parents ***SHOULD NOT*** "coach" their player from the stands-this is the coach's responsibility. Do not compete with the coach.
- ***Parents are NEVER permitted at the team bench/areas.*** As spectators, parents should sit (and remain) in the designated areas for spectators. The only exception to this is if your child is seriously injured.
- ***Students MUST be picked up immediately after practice.*** Our coaches are expected to stay with athletes until they all have gone home for the day. We understand that life happens and people are busy, but our coaches have lives as well, please be courteous not to have them waiting around all day. If something comes up and you know you will be late to pick up your child, please communicate that with the coach.
- ***It takes a village.*** Your child's team may need you as a volunteer, and we ask that you make the sacrifice to assist if you are able to.

Academic Evaluation and Support

Student First, Athlete Second. We are all committed to the academic success of our student-athletes, and offer numerous resources for their academic success. Grade checks will begin on the third week of every quarter. Weekly checks will be done by the AD and communicated to coaches and student-athletes on a weekly basis. Student-athletes are required to attend study tables if they are under a 2.0 GPA. Skipping study tables will result in removal from the team.

Social Media Agreement (on FinalForms)

Please remember that each student-athlete and parent signs a social media agreement as a part of the FinalForms registration process. The social media waiver reminds all families that social media is a digital footprint that can impact the future. The waiver states that there are consequences for posting anything that may not represent the team, school, family, or community in an appropriate manner. Please report any social media posts that may violate the social media agreement to a member of the Athletic Department.

Communication with Coaches

Communication expected from coach

- Coaching Philosophy
- Expectations for athletes on team
- Locations and times of all practices and contests
- Team requirements (fees, special equipment, off-season conditioning)
- Procedure should your child be injured
- Discipline that results in the denial of your child's participation

Communication expected from parents

- Notification of any schedule conflicts well in advance
- Concerns expressed directly to the coach
- Specific concerns in regard to a coach's philosophy and/or expectations

Appropriate Concerns to Discuss with Coaches

- The treatment of your child, mentally and physically
- Ways to help your child improve
- Concerns about your child's behavior

Issues Not Appropriate to Discuss with Coaches

- Team strategy & play calling
- Other student-athletes

Appropriate Procedures for Discussing Concerns with Coaches

- Call/email to set up an appointment with the coach (contact the Athletic Department **ONLY** if unable to reach the coach)
- **Do not try to confront a coach before a contest or practice** – any violations of this rule will be reported to the AD and further disciplinary actions may be taken.

If the Meeting with the Coach Did Not Provide a Satisfactory Resolution

- Call/email to set up an appointment with the Athletic Director

Sources of Information

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Miami Valley League: www.mvlathletics.com

- League standings
- Game statistics

Ohio High School Athletic Association: <https://www.ohsaa.org>

- All other information about individual sports, regulations, tournaments, etc.