



Rule Book **Section 4: Code of Ethics:**

Athletics is an integral part of youth development and education. All school activities, curricular and extracurricular, in the classroom and on the playing field, must be congruent with the Conference' goals and objectives established for the intellectual, physical, social and moral development of all its participants. No Applicant will be issued a Membership Identification Card without agreeing in writing to comply with the following Code of Ethics supporting Conference's goals and objectives:

- A. Show respect for players, cheerleaders, game officials, conference officials, and other coaches.
- B. Respect the integrity and judgment of game and Conference officials.
- C. Establish and model fair play, sportsmanship, and proper conduct.
- D. Maintain player, whether football or cheer leader, safety and welfare as the highest priority.
- E. Provide proper supervision of all Eligible Participants at all times.
- F. Use discretion when providing constructive criticism and when reprimanding all Eligible Participants.
- G. Maintain consistency in requiring all Eligible Participants to adhere to the establish rules and standards of the game to be played.
- H. Properly instruct in the safe use of equipment.
- I. Avoid suggesting, providing, or encouraging any athlete to use non-prescription drugs, anabolic steroids, or any substance to increase physical development or performance that is not approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration, Surgeon General of the United States, or the American Medical Association.
- J. Avoid recruitment of athletes who reside within the boundaries of other Franchises.
- K. Follow the rules of behavior and the procedures for crowd control as the host or visiting team as established by Conference.
- L. Review and follow the current Conference Bylaws.
- M. Refrain from the use of profanity, vulgarity, and other offensive language and gestures.
- N. Refrain from the use of social media outlets (such as Facebook, Twitter, or other forums) to impart or express negative information toward any Carded Conference Member, any Member of the Conference Executive Board, City Franchise, or participant.