



VP HOCKEY

Spartans

PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT

Participation in VP Hockey is not a right - it is an opportunity made possible by the donations and efforts of others. The VP Player Code of Conduct represents a commitment by the athlete to exercise good judgment in all affairs, and to behave in a manner that does not discredit themselves, their team or their school. This Code of Conduct shall be in effect so long as any player is affiliated with VP Hockey - it is not limited to simply those times in which the player is participating in VP Hockey sponsored activities. Proper conduct - on and off the rink - are expected.

Citizenship/Attitude

VP Hockey players are highly visible representatives of their community and their school. Players are expected to display a positive attitude both at school and while participating in VP Hockey.

- < Players are expected to arrive to practices and games on time, and be ready to participate. If you will be late or absent - inform the Coach or Manager as soon as possible.
- < Respect for teammates and coaches is mandatory. Harassment of others in any form, verbal or physical, will not be tolerated.
- < Any player suspended from school will automatically be suspended from the team and may not participate in any game, practice or other VP Hockey event until the suspension is lifted.

Sportsmanship Expectations

- < Recognize the value and importance of teamwork - hockey games are won by unselfish behavior for the good of the team - not individuals seeking personal glory.
- < Understand that winning is desirable, but winning at all costs defeats the purpose of the game. A strong desire to compete and succeed is in no way compromised by respect for the rulebook and your opponents.
- < Treat game officials as honest in their intentions by accepting their decisions without becoming angry. Only the team Captain or Coach is permitted to discuss rules and decisions with the officials.
- < Know the rules of the game and follow them.

- < Show respect for your opponents - no taunting or trash talking.
- < Exercise self-control at all times - Fighting will result in an automatic ejection from the game, and suspension from the next.
- < ***Accept victory with humility and defeat with grace***

Drugs/Alcohol Policy

Any player found to be in possession of, or involved in the use of, tobacco, alcohol, or narcotics during the season will be immediately suspended from the team and forfeit letter eligibility.

Conduct Violations

The Team Coach and Manager shall have the exclusive authority and discretion to determine the course of action to be taken in the event of a Code of Conduct violation, up to and including dismissal from the team. Each incident will be treated as an individual case and judged on its own merit. The seriousness of the offense, conditions under which it occurred, and the athlete's past record are all factors that will be considered. NO REFUND OF PLAYER FEES WILL BE MADE DUE TO SUSPENSIONS OR DISMISSALS RESULTING FROM CONDUCT VIOLATIONS.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Player Signature

Date