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Athletic Handbook & Code of Conduct

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INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this handbook is to provide student athletes and their families with an overview of the East Providence High School Interscholastic Athletic Program and the policies, procedures and rules that govern it.

East Providence High School is a member of the Rhode Island Interscholastic League (RIIL), whose purpose is to organize, regulate and promote interscholastic athletics for secondary schools of Rhode Island. As a member school of the RIIL, East Providence High School abides by the RIIL rules and regulations, and subscribes to the guidelines set forth by this organization. In addition, school committee policies and school rules also govern the school's athletic program.

Being a member of an East Providence High School athletic team is the fulfillment of an early ambition for many students. The attainment of this goal carries with it certain traditions and responsibilities that must be maintained. A great athletic tradition is not built overnight; it takes the hard work of many people over many years. As a member of an interscholastic team of East Providence High School, you have inherited a tradition which you are challenged to uphold. It will not be easy to contribute to such a great athletic tradition, when you wear the RED and WHITE colors of our school, you indicate a willingness to assume the responsibilities that go with those traditions.

PHILOSOPHY

East Providence High School understands that interscholastic athletics are a significant part of the educational process. A dynamic program of athletic activities, therefore, is vital to the academic and social/civic development of students to promote sportsmanship, character development and leadership. As a result, the East Providence High School athletic program provides a variety of experiences to aid in the development of favorable habits and attitudes in students that will prepare them for adult life. These experiences are designed to serve the school, assist in the development of respect for self and others, promote fellowship and goodwill, promote self-realization and all-around growth, encourage safe and healthy personal choices, and encourage learning the qualities of good citizenship, school, and community and self-pride.

East Providence High School offers the following sports:

FALL:	Football Girls Lacrosse Girls Volleyball	Football Cheerleading Boys & Girls Soccer	Boys & Girls Cross Country Girls Tennis
WINTER:	Boys & Girls Basketball Hockey Wrestling	Basketball & Competition Cheerleading Boys & Girls Swimming Boys & Girls Indoor Track	

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SPRING:	Baseball	Golf	Unified Basketball
	Boys Lacrosse	Softball	
	Boys Tennis	Boys & Girls Track & Field	

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

1. To provide a positive atmosphere of athletic activities;
2. To provide a positive image of school athletics at East Providence High School;
3. To provide opportunities that will allow athletics to serve as experiences where students may cope with problems and handle situations similar to those encountered in the contemporary world. To provide experiences which provide adequate and natural opportunities for:
 - a. Physical, mental, social and emotional growth and development;
 - b. Acquisition and development of special skills in activities of each students choice;
 - c. Team play with the development of such commitments as loyalty, cooperation, fair play and ethical conduct;
 - d. Directed leadership and supervision that stresses self-discipline, self-motivation, excellence and the ideals of good sportsmanship that make winning and losing graciously;
 - e. Achievement of school goals and the student's individual goals;
 - f. Provisions for worthy use of leisure time in later life, either as a participant or spectator;
 - g. Development of leadership qualities;
4. To provide an opportunity for students to experience growth and success in activities they select;
5. To promote conditions which support the best values of athletics;
6. To strive for playing excellence that will produce winning teams within the bounds of good sportsmanship and the mental and physical health of the student athlete; and

STUDENT ATHLETE OBJECTIVES

1. To develop high ideals of fairness in all human relationships;
2. To practice self-discipline and emotional maturity in learning to make decisions under pressure;
3. To develop social competence and operate within a set of rules, thus gaining a respect for the rights of others;
4. To develop an understanding of the value of athletics in a balanced educational process;
5. To display courtesy and respect to officials, spectators and visiting teams;

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6. To recognize that the purpose of athletics is to promote the physical, mental, moral, social and emotional well-being of the individual players; and
7. To remember that an athletic contest is only a game – not a matter of life or death for player, coach, school, official, fan, community, state or nation.

REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPATION

A. ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

In order to participate in interscholastic athletics at East Providence High School, students must

1. Be enrolled in a full schedule
2. Not have failed more than two courses at the end of the previous marking period (quarters & semesters)

Eligibility is based on for ...

- **Fall Sports** – end of the YEAR grades (must have earned 5 out of 7 credits)
 - In the case of a student who devotes a considerable part of the summer to make up subjects failed during the school year and receives credit toward graduation for this make-up work, that student shall be entitled to count such credit toward eligibility provided this credit is made an official part of his school record during the first week of the fall term. Therefore, a total of 5 out of 7 credits are earned.
- **Winter Sports** – end of 1st Quarter grades
- **Spring Sports** –end of 1st SEMESTER grades

NOTE: In case a student fails to complete the minimum scholastic requirements for athletic eligibility at the end of a quarter or semester due to unavoidable absence (*documented* medical or family emergency, etc), the student shall be ineligible for the next quarter until these requirements of the preceding quarter are made-up.

Students are **NOT** eligible if:

- they are excused from physical education for medical reasons;
- their 19th birthday occurs prior to September 1st;
- they have represented the school in any one sport for more than four seasons or have been in attendance for more than eight semesters in the 9th, 10th, 11th or 12th grade or grades or the equivalent of such grade or grades in any school or schools; or

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- they do not comply with the rules outlined in the Rhode Island Interscholastic League's Rules and Regulations. (May be found at www.riil.org)

B. PAPERWORK REQUIRED BEFORE PARTICIPATION

1. Physical Examination and Health History Form

In order to try out for a team, a student must have a health physical on file prior to participation. The physical covers all sports provided the examination occurred within one year of the ending date of the respective athletic season(s). The form will be kept on file in the nurse's office.

- Fall sport athletes must have a physical on or after January 1 of that year.
- Winter sport athletes must have a physical on or after March 15 of that year.
- Spring sport athletes must have a physical on or after June 15 of the previous year.

Students and parents will be responsible for communicating with the medical staff any pre-existing conditions that may affect athletic participation.

2. Rhode Island Interscholastic League – Risk of Participation Form (2 copies)

Athletes and parents must realize the risk of serious injury, which may be a result of athletic participation. In order to participate in interscholastic sports, students and parents/legal guardians are required to sign two (2) of the *Rhode Island Interscholastic League's Assumption of Risk Form*. This form must be notarized and submitted to the coach prior to participation. One copy will be kept on file in the Director of Athletics office. The second copy will be filed at the Rhode Island Interscholastic League office. This process is required only once during the four years of high school for each new athlete, including transfer students.

3. Insurance

Athletes may not compete on an athletic team unless they are covered by some form of medical insurance coverage.

The school has arrangements with an insurance company by which parents can secure accident insurance for their children at a nominal cost. The school, however, does not assume responsibility for medical expenses resulting from injuries to participants in sports. The family's personal medical insurance is the first step in covering medical expenses. School insurance can only be used to help pay for expenses not covered by your personal insurance. Under certain circumstances, the Rhode Island Interscholastic Injury Fund provides some assistance for medical expenses which are not covered by either personal insurance or school insurance. In order to receive aid from the Rhode Island Interscholastic Injury Fund, student athletes must be covered by some type of insurance. In claims involving school insurance,

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parents need to pick up an insurance form at the school. Once the school and attending physician have made out their parts, the parents send the form and bills to the company.

4. **Parental Permission and Acknowledgement of Athletic Policies**

At the time students try out for any athletic team, they will receive this handbook and/or review it online. At this time, coaches will go over training rules, expectations, goals and their coaching philosophy. Each parent or guardian will read all of the enclosed material and will complete a *Parental Permission and Acceptance of Code of Conduct Form* for **each** sport to have knowledge and understanding of all school policies and giving permission to participate in that interscholastic sport. This form will be kept on file in the Director of Athletics office.

5. **Concussion Awareness Information**

Rhode Island State Law requires that Athletes and Parents/Guardians review materials about signs and symptoms of concussions. A signed consent form will be required by both the Athlete and Parent/Guardian.

6. **Family ID**

All athletes must register at FamilyID.com to complete all paperwork. The only forms the athlete must return to the coach is physical form and assumption of risk (only completes once).

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR STUDENT ATHLETES

A firm and fair policy of enforcement is necessary to uphold the regulations and standards of the athletic department. The community, school administrators and coaching staff feel strongly that high standards of conduct and citizenship are essential in maintaining a sound athletic program. Athletes are expected to abide by this code of conduct which will earn them the honor and respect that participation and competition in the interscholastic athletic program affords. Conduct which results in dishonor to the athlete, the team or the school will not be tolerated. All rules apply to all athletes including players, managers, trainers, cheerleaders and all other students representing a team from East Providence High School.

A. SPORTSMANSHIP

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“Good sportsmanship, ethical behavior, integrity and the respect for others” are the guiding principles that permeate all interscholastic activities in our school. In perception and practice, sportsmanship is defined as those qualities, which are characterized by generosity and genuine concern for others. All individuals, regardless of their role, are expected to model sportsmanship because of their influence on the behavior of others.

Student Athletes MUST:

- appreciate and understand that their behavior is observed and emulated by many who are younger;
- live up to the high standard of sportsmanship established by the RILL;
- accept and understand the seriousness of their responsibility and the privilege of representing their school and community;
- live up the standards of sportsmanship established by the school administration and the coaching staff;
- learn the rules of the game thoroughly and discuss them with parents, fans, and peers;
- treat opponents the way they would like to be treated, as a guest or friend;
- refrain from taunting, trash-talking, or making any kind of derogatory remarks, especially comments of ethnic, racial or sexual nature, to their opponents during the game;
- wish opponents good luck before the game and congratulate them in a sincere manner that they would like to receive following a victory or defeat;
- respect the integrity and judgment of game officials;
- win with humility and lose with grace.

B. ALCOHOL, DRUGS, TOBACCO and Other Drugs

Medical research clearly substantiates that the use of alcohol, tobacco and mood modifying substances produce harmful effects on the human body and will affect athletic performance. You cannot compromise athletics with substance abuse. Athletes who experiment with such substances jeopardize team morale, team reputation, team success and risk personal injury and harm to others during their activity. Students must decide if they want to hold a leadership position and be a part of an athletic team. If they do wish to be a participant, they must make the commitment in order to do so. A big part of this decision means refraining from the use of alcohol, drugs, tobacco and steroids. Student athletes are considered in violation of this policy if they are “in the presence of”, “possess”, “consume” (including being under the influence of) and/or “distribute”, other than as prescribed by a physician for personal use, any alcohol, tobacco and/or tobacco products and/or controlled drug NOT prescribed by the athlete’s physician at any time during that sports season whether during school, at any school activity, on school property, or at locations off school property. In

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addition to penalties required by school committee policy and the East Providence High School handbook, the student athlete(s) will be held accountable for any violations off of school property during any time of their athletic season. Due to the breach of training rules, the athlete will be

(For a first offense)

- suspended from all interscholastic competitions and practices for fifteen (15) succeeding calendar days from the sport in which the athlete participates. After ten (10) days, the athlete may return to the team for practice only. The suspension must include at least the next two (2) scheduled interscholastic contests of the season. The student will be fully reinstated for athletic competition after the fifteenth day, once all the requirements have been met. This suspension will be completed during the athlete's season UNLESS there is insufficient time remaining in that season to complete the suspension, it will be carried over to the next interscholastic sport season in which that athlete participates. In this case, the athlete must complete the season in which the suspension is being served.
- reinstated to the team after the suspension is served, provided the athlete meets with the Athletic Director, Coach, Dean and/or Assistant/Principal
- Parent(s)/Guardian(s) and athlete will meet with Athletic Director, and/or Assistant/Principal before reinstatement to the team.
- required to forfeit their Captaincy if they hold that position (see Captains section).

(For a second offense) – in the same year or subsequent year

- suspended from all interscholastic events for 90 calendar days (excluding summer vacation). After ten (10) days, the athlete may return to the team for practices only.
- referral to an outside agency for counseling may be made.
- if the athlete volunteers to become part of an approved chemical dependency or treatment program (at no cost to the East Providence School Department or City of East Providence), the athlete may return to participation after a minimum of 45 days. This treatment must be certified in writing to the Athletic Director by a doctor or counselor.

(For any additional violation) – in the same year or subsequent year(s)

- will be suspended from all interscholastic athletic competitions and extracurricular activities for 365 calendar days.

C. APPEARANCE

Student athletes assume the responsibility of representing EPHS; consequently, they are expected to dress appropriately and professionally for practices, contests and travel.

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D. CAPTAINS

Captains will be appointed by coaches. Prior to the selection of Captains, athletes will be informed of the Selection Criteria and Expectations required of a Captain.

The position of Team Captain is one of Honor, Leadership and Responsibility. Therefore, any student serving as a Team Captain is expected to conduct themselves in an exemplary manner both IN and OUT of school.

Any student involved in a violation of the Code of Conduct that results in a suspension from school, or any student who is associated with, in possession of, or found to be involved with drugs, steroids, alcohol, tobacco use, weapons, violence, or crimes outside of school, will lose the ability to serve as Captain of any school-sponsored athletic team for a period of one calendar year.

E. CIGARETTE, CIGAR AND SMOKELESS TOBACCO

Students who use tobacco products, including but not limited to cigarettes, e-cigarettes, cigars, vapor pens or smokeless tobacco, etc ... will be in violation of school policy. A student athlete will be

(For a first offense)

- suspended from all interscholastic competitions and practices for seven (7) succeeding calendar days from the sport in which the athlete participates. After five (5) days, the athlete may return to the team for practice only. The suspension must include at least the next one (1) scheduled interscholastic contests of the season. The student will be reinstated for athletic competition after the seventh day, once all the requirements have been met. This suspension will be completed during an athlete's season. The athlete will be reinstated to the team provided the athlete meets with the Athletic Director, Coach, Dean and/or Assistant/Principal. If there is NOT sufficient time remaining in that season to complete the suspension, it will be carried over to the next interscholastic sport season in which that athlete participates. In this case, the athlete must complete the season in which the suspension is being served.
- Parent(s)/Guardian(s) and athlete will meet with Athletic Director, and/or Assistant/Principal before reinstatement to the team.
- required to forfeit their Captaincy if they hold that position (see Captains section)

(For a second offense) – in the same year or subsequent year

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- suspended from all interscholastic events for 30 calendar days (excluding summer vacation). After ten (10) days, the athlete may return to the team for practices only.

(For any additional violation) – in the same year or subsequent year(s)

- will be suspended from all interscholastic athletic competitions and extracurricular activities for 365 calendar days.

F. EQUIPMENT AND UNIFORMS

Athletes are responsible for the proper care and security of all equipment issued/loaned to them. School furnished equipment is to be worn only for contests and practice or when authorized by the coach. All equipment must be returned immediately after the season.

Athletes who do not return their uniform/equipment in good condition or who lose their uniform/equipment will be assess the replacement cost of the equipment.

Failure to return or pay for lost or damaged uniforms and/or equipment will result in a student being placed on Social Probation. Athletes will remain on Social Probation, not allowing any further athletic or social participation, until this obligation has been fulfilled.

Due to Rhode Island Interscholastic League Rules, equipment cannot be issued to any student out of season.

Notes:

- It is the athlete's responsibility to make sure any issued and personal belongings are secured properly in the locker room, on the field, court, pool, bus, etc ...
- Student athletes will be charged the value of replacement costs for equipment that is not returned.

G. INDIVIDUAL COACH'S RULES

Coaches may establish (with advanced approval of the Athletic Director and Principal) additional rules and regulations for their respective teams. These rules must be given in writing by the coach to all team members and explained fully at the start of the season. Penalties for violation of team rules will also be in writing and will be administered by the coach. Additional team rules must be consistent with all other school rules and regulations. Copies will be kept on file in the Athletic Director's office. Coaches may take reasonable disciplinary action pertaining to any problem that may arise that has not already been reviewed in this handbook.

H. LEAVING A TEAM

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Athletes who leave a team will have 48 hours to ask the coach for reinstatement. The coach will act independently on each case. These students are expected to discuss their decision with the Director of Athletics. This is an important step so that they realize their responsibility to the team and themselves.

Within the first week of the preseason, a student may drop from the team without penalty. After this time, the student may not participate in any other athletic activity for that season unless the Director of Athletics and coach/es involved grant permission.

I. LOCKER ROOM REGULATIONS

1. Rough-housing, throwing towels or other objects is NOT allowed in locker rooms.
2. All showers must be turned off. The last person to leave the shower room is expected to check all showers.
3. Athletes should ensure that all clothing and valuables are LOCKED in their lockers.
4. NO glass containers are permitted in locker rooms.
5. All shoes that have spikes or cleats must be put on and taken off outside of the school building.
6. There is no use of cell phones in the locker rooms. Violation of this rule may result in suspension from additional team games or contests.

J. PRACTICES AND CONTESTS

Athletes are expected to attend all contests and practices during the season, **vacations included**, unless excused by the Coach and/or Director of Athletics. Athletes with unexcused absences from contests or practices must practice one day (5 days maximum) for each contest/practice missed and is not eligible to play in at least the next scheduled interscholastic league contest of the season, prior to resuming competition.

K. TRAVEL (Excluding Teams in which transportation is not provided)

Athletes must travel to and from athletic contests in transportation provided by East Providence School Department unless previous arrangements are made by the athlete's parents for exceptional situations. The Director of Athletics and coach must approve permission for exceptions. In addition:

- Athletes will remain with their team under the supervision of the coach when attending away contests.
- Athletes may return from an away contest only with their parents. In that event, the parent must request permission from the Director of Athletics and coach **prior** to the

contest. The athlete will be released only to their parents upon the personal recognizance of the parent by the coach.

- Athletes who miss the bus departure will not be allowed to participate in the contest unless there are extenuating circumstances.
- All regular school bus rules will be followed.

L. VACATIONS

Vacations (including trips during school vacations) by athletic team members during a sport season are discouraged. Athletes and parents wishing to do so should assess their commitment to the team. In the event of an absence due to a vacation that is unavoidable, the athlete must:

- Contact the coach at least one (1) week prior to the vacation, preferably before the beginning of the season;
- Present a signed excuse by the Parent/Guardian at least one (1) week prior to leaving;
- Practice or be in attendance at games one (1) day for each contest or practice missed (5 days maximum) to include at least one (1) interscholastic contest prior to resuming competition; and
- Accept their playing status on that squad following the return to competition.

M. WEIGHT ROOM REGULATIONS

Students are allowed in the Weight Room ONLY if there is an assigned supervisor or coach in the facility at all times. In addition:

- Athletic attire and shoes are required at all times
- Student must be under the supervision of the instructor assigned
- Lifters must work with a partner
- Replace all weights on racks immediately following use
- KNOW YOUR LIMITS – work with an instructor in determining limits
- LIFT correctly – It is better to use lighter weights for correct lifting than heavier weights and run the risk of injury
- Warm-Up with proper stretching exercises
- No FOOD allowed inside Weight Room
- NO horseplay or profanity
- NO abuse of equipment. Any equipment that is broken must be reported immediately.

YEAR ROUND EXPECTATIONS

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The substance abuse policy at East Providence High School is in effect year round, in and out of season, on and off the field, in and out of uniform for all student athletes. There is a reason for this ... ***We care about the welfare of our student athletes.*** We expect a year round commitment from you if you want to be involved in the athletic program at East Providence High School. Violation of this policy will be enforced at the beginning of the next full season the student athlete participates in.

N. ATTENDANCE

Athletes are expected to follow the East Providence School Department Attendance Policy. Athletes are held to the East Providence High School's Social Probation Absence and Tardy Policy that all students are to follow.

Athletic teams or other organized activities are a privilege NOT A RIGHT. This privilege comes with responsibility. The student is representing our school and our community therefore he/she is obligated to adhere to the attendance protocol put forth by the school.

- Any student that acquires (5) tardies or unexcused absences will be placed on **social probation**:
 - Any and every unexcused absence or tardy following a student's 5th will prohibit that student from participating in the team's next practice or league/non-league contest/game/event.

Athletes must be present in school no later than 10:30am and must be present for HALF of a school day on any given day a scheduled Interscholastic contest may be scheduled in order to participate.

Athletes absent from school on Friday or a day preceding a holiday and/or weekend contest are ineligible to participate unless the absence is excused in advance by the Athletic Director. Final authority for infractions of this rule will rest with the Principal.

O. BULLYING/HARASSMENT/HAZING/INTIMIDATION

Student athletes at East Providence High School are expected to abide by all rules listed under the Anti-bullying Policy in the EPHS Student Handbook.

Under no circumstance will any type of hazing, harassment, intimidation or bullying of an athlete or non-athlete be tolerated. Hazing, as defined by the National Federation of Sports, is "any humiliating or dangerous activity expected of a student to belong to a group, regardless of their willingness to participate." Please note that hazing/harassment can be in the form of mental, physical, emotional and psychological abuse.

Violation of this expectation will result in strong disciplinary action, including suspension from school, suspension or removal from the athletic team and loss of captaincy.

P. CYBER IMAGES

Student athletes at East Providence High School are expected to abide by all rules listed under the Anti-bullying Policy in the EPHS Student Handbook.

Any identifiable image, text, photo or video which implicates a student athlete to have been in possession or in the presence of alcohol and/or drugs, or portrays actual use, or out of character behavior or crime, shall be confirmation of a violation of the Code of Conduct.

Violation of this expectation will result in strong disciplinary action, including suspension from school, suspension or removal from the athletic team and loss of captaincy.

Since there is no way to establish a timeframe for when or the location of where the image the image may have been taken, it shall be a responsibility that the student athlete must assume.

It must also be noted that there may be persons, who would attempt to implicate an athlete, by taking such images, to place them in a situation where they might be in violation of this code standard. Athletes must take every precaution to NOT place themselves in such an environment.

Q. PRESENCE at PARTIES with ALCOHOL and DRUGS

Student athletes at East Providence High School are expected to abide by all rules listed under the **Possession/Under the Influence** in the EPHS Student Handbook.

If a student athlete attends a party where alcohol or drugs are being illegally dispensed, the student athlete must leave the party immediately or risk enforcement of the alcohol and drug provisions of the Code.

R. DETENTION/ SUSPENSION /SOCIAL PROBATION

An athlete who is issued a **detention** must attend the session(s) assigned regardless of home game or practice conflicts. Athletes with an away contest must meet with a Dean and/or Administrator to be reassigned to the next open day to serve the detention.

An athlete who is **suspended** is not permitted to participate during any school suspension and shall miss any/all interscholastic contests scheduled during the suspension until the suspension is complete. Reinstatement will be determined by the Deans, School Administrators, Athletic Director and Coach. An athlete who is suspended more than once in a season will jeopardize

their involvement, and may not be permitted to continue participation for the remainder of that program.

Any and every Tardy or Absence which occurs after an athlete is placed on Social Probation, the athlete will not be permitted to participate in the next scheduled practice or league/non-league contest/game/event.

PARENT AND COACH COMMUNICATION

Both parenting and coaching are extremely difficult vocations. By establishing an understanding of each position, we are better able to accept the actions of the other and provide greater benefits to children. As parents, when your children become involved in our program, you have a right to understand what expectations are placed on your child. This begins with clear communication from the coach of your child's program.

Communication parents should expect from coaches:

- philosophy of the coach;
- expectations the coach has for your child as well as all the players on the squad;
- locations and times of all practices and contests;
- team requirements, i.e., practices, special equipment, out-of-season conditioning;
- procedure followed should your child be injured during participation; and
- discipline that may result in the denial of your child's participation.

Communication coaches should expect from parents:

- concerns should be expressed directly to the coach;
- notification of any schedule conflicts well in advance; and
- specific concerns with regard to a coach's philosophy and/or expectations.

As your children become involved in the programs at East Providence High School, they will experience some of the most rewarding moments of their lives. It is important to understand that there also may be times when things do not go the way you or your child wishes. At these times, discussion with the coach is encouraged.

Appropriate concerns to discuss with coaches:

- the treatment of your child, emotionally and physically;

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- ways to help your child improve; and
- concerns about your child's behavior.

Coaches are professionals. They make judgment decisions based on what they believe to be best for all students involved. As you have seen from the list above, certain topics can be and should be discussed with your child's coach. A Coach may reach out to you if there are issues or concerns about your child in the program. Other topics must be left to the discretion of the coach.

Issues not appropriate to discuss with coaches:

- Playing time
- Team strategy
- Play calling
- Other student-athletes

There are situations that may require a conference between the coach and the parent. These are to be encouraged. It is important that both parties involved have a clear understanding of the other's position. When these conferences are necessary, the following procedure should be followed to help promote a resolution to the issue or concern. If you have a concern to discuss with a coach, you should:

1. Contact Coach to set up a meeting
2. Contact Athletic Director, if unable to reach the Coach
3. You may contact the Athletic Director first, but you will be encouraged to speak with the Coach

Coaches will have a better understanding of a concern/situation and will be able to answer direct questions about your child within the program.

Please do not attempt to confront a coach before or after a contest or practice. These times can be emotionally sensitive for both the parent and the coach. Meetings of this nature do not promote a positive resolution.

If the meeting with the coach did not provide a satisfactory resolution, you may call and set up an appointment with the Director of Athletics to discuss the situation.

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East Providence High School Athletics
ACCEPTANCE OF CODE OF CONDUCT

It is a privilege to be an EPHS Townie Athlete. Conduct becoming of an East Providence High School athlete will be in place for athletes during the entire

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academic year. A Townie Athlete represents his or her school at all times and will conduct him/herself in a manner that is befitting this honor.

I have read all the requirements in this Athletic Handbook, agree to abide by and will conduct myself accordingly. I want to be a part of the East Providence High School Athletics Program.

Name (Please Print) _____
First Last

Student Signature _____
Date

I have read all the requirements in this athletic handbook, agree to abide by and will support my child's decision to become a part of the East Providence High School's Athletic Program.

Name (Please Print) _____
First Last

Parent Signature _____
Date

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