

**ARCHDIOCESE OF SEATTLE – CATHOLIC YOUTH ORGANIZATION
PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT 2008-2009**

The Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) is a program that, through the vehicle of sports, aids youth to become better Christians and to collaborate with other athletes throughout the Archdiocese. The Code of Conduct serves as a behavioral guideline for all players, coaches, and parents to follow.

As an individual:

I will try to develop my skills to the best of my ability and to give my best effort in competition

I will compete within the rules of my sport

I will respect the dignity of every human being, and will not be abusive or dehumanizing of another individual

As a member of a team:

I will place team goals ahead of personal goals

I will work to develop positive relationships with all my teammates

I will follow the team rules established by the coach.

As a member of society:

I will display caring and honorable behavior off the field and be a positive influence in my community

Violations of the Code of Conduct will be dealt with by the CYO Athletic Director, the appropriate sport commission, and the Athletic Advisory Board.

Remember (all spectators):

That the players are children and are playing for their enjoyment not yours

To remain seated in the spectator area during all contests

To respect decision made by game/contest officials

Be a positive role model by supporting teams with words of encouragement

Make no derogatory comments or gestures to players, coaches, or fans of your own team or the other team.

Remember that the adults set the example for the behavior of their team's fans. If you see negative behavior, please try to appeal to their conscience at the appropriate time.

I have read this agreement and agree to follow its guidelines so that everyone participating in CYO Athletics will have a positive experience in all activities.

Signature of Player

Signature of Parent

Name of Student (please print)

Name of Parent (please print)