

## Code of Ethics - Coaches

Athletics is an integral part of the school's total educational program. All school activities, curricular and extracurricular, in the classroom and on the playing field, must be congruent with the school's stated goals and objectives established for the intellectual, physical, social and moral development of its students. It is within this context and in accordance with Title V of the California Administrative Code of Ethics is presented.

1. Show respect for players, officials and other coaches.
2. Respect the integrity and judgment of game officials.
3. Establish and model fair play, sportsmanship and proper conduct.
4. Establish player safety and welfare as the highest priority.
5. Provide proper supervision of students at all times.
6. Use discretion when providing constructive criticism and when reprimanding players.
7. Maintain consistency in requiring all players to adhere to the established rules and standards of the game to be played.
8. Properly instruct players in the safe use of equipment.
9. Avoid exerting undue influence on a pupil's decision to enroll in an athletic program at any postsecondary educational institution.
10. Avoid exerting undue influence on pupils to take lighter academic course(s) in order to be eligible to participate in athletics.
11. Avoid suggesting, providing or encouraging any athlete to use non-prescriptive 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 American Medical Association.
12. Avoid recruitment of athletes from other schools.
13. Follow the rules of behavior and the procedures for crowd control as established by the local board and the league in which the school participates.
14. Refrain from the use of profanity, vulgarity and other offensive language and gestures.
15. Support the principles of Pursuing Victory with Honor.
16. Accept and fulfill the contractual and sponsorship commitments made by the CIF Southern Section during playoff competition.

As a condition of membership in the CIF, all schools shall adopt policies prohibiting the use and abuse of androgenic/anabolic steroids. All member schools shall have participating coaches agree that he/she will not use steroids without the written prescription of a fully licensed physician (as recognized by the AMA) to treat a medical condition (Article 524).

