



Belen Consolidated Schools
PARENT OR COURT APPOINTED LEGAL GUARDIAN
CODE OF CONDUCT
CONDITIONS OF ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION

The purpose of the Parent or Court Appointed Legal Guardian Code of Conduct is to develop positive parental support and positive role modeling for our student athletes and athletic programs. Parents and court appointed legal guardians; you are an integral part of this process.

EXPECTATIONS:

1. Provide positive support encouragement to my student-athlete, his or her team, coaches, and school.
2. Provide positive support and encouragement to the visiting team, their coaches, and school.
3. Display positive behavior and attitude at all athletic contests, regardless of the outcome.
4. Respect the position, professionalism, and decision-making of the game official(s).
5. Refrain from the use of foul language.
6. Refrain from yelling or criticizing any student-athlete, coach, or team.
7. Refrain from interfering with the coach.
8. Willing to let the coach be responsible for my son or daughter during practice, games, and team related activities.
9. Refrain making derogatory comments to players, other parents, game officials, or school administrators.
10. Assist in providing for student safety and welfare.
11. Sign and submit, with accurate information, all required "Participation Forms" to the Head Athletic Trainer.
12. Will highly discourage my son or daughter to change schools because of a conflict with a coach.
13. Will not circumvent rules or guidelines of the Belen Schools or the New Mexico Activities Association.

SOCIAL NETWORKING/MEDIA (Facebook, Twitter, Texting, Email, and Other Forms):

1. Parents and/or guardians are to refrain from "posting" statements, comments, photos, and other types of media, which may be construed as slanderous, libelous, personal attacks on other student-athletes and/or athletic personnel, or in any way disrupts the educational and/or athletic/extracurricular process.
2. Parents and/or guardians are to refrain from "posting" statements, comments photos, and other types of media, which may be construed as harassment (racial, gender, sexual, ability, etc.) of another individual.
3. Parents and/or guardians and athletic personnel are to refrain from developing social networking relationships, beyond the normal and expected lines of professional communications (i.e. practice times and schedule changes, team announcements, excusal from practice or event, and etc.). Any program concerns should always be addressed in person.

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The parent or guardian agrees to:

1. Abide by the "Parent or Court Appointed Legal Guardian Code of Conduct" and the tenants of "COMPETE WITH CLASS"
2. Encourage my son or daughter to abide by the "Student-Athlete Code of Conduct" and the tenants of "Pursuing Victory with Honor."
3. Encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, and game officials.
4. Be supportive of my son or daughter's athletic program.
6. Encourage my son or daughter to attend all classes on a regular basis and to excel academically.
7. Inform my son or daughter of the dangers and discourage the use of illegal drugs, alcohol, steroids, or tobacco.
8. It is the policy of the Belen Schools Athletic Department **that grievances should not be addressed during or immediately after any practice or athletic contest.** If a situation arises where a parent or guardian wishes to meet with a coach or address a specific issue or complaint, the following steps should be followed:
 - a. Request a meeting at school with the coach;
 - b. If the problem is unresolved, arrange an appointment with the district Athletic Coordinator and the coach.

I/we, the parent(s) or court appointed legal guardian of the student-athlete, acknowledge that I/we have read the terms of this Parent/Court Appointed Legal Guardian Code of Conduct. I/we agree to conduct myself/ourselves according to the terms of this Code of Conduct. I/we also understand that **if I/we choose not to follow the terms of this Code of Conduct we may be banned from any further athletic activities.** I/we also understand and agree that, if my/our son or daughter **CHOOSES** to violate any of the terms of the Student-Athlete's Code of Conduct, **his/her CURRENT or FUTURE participation in interscholastic athletics may be limited or terminated in addition to penalties or consequences that may result or be imposed for the violation under Belen Consolidated School rules and policies or under civil or criminal laws.**

Parent or Court Appointed Legal Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

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