STATE OF NEW JERSEY MODEL ATHLETIC CODE OF CONDUCT Middle Township Board of Education Policy

Parent Code of Conduct

(The following athletic code of conduct is promulgated in accordance with the provisions of P.L.2002, Chapter 74.)

Interscholastic and youth sports programs play an important role in promoting the physical, social, and emotional development of children. It is therefore essential for parents, coaches, and officials to encourage youth athletes to embrace the values of good sportsmanship and should lead by example by demonstrating fairness, respect and self-control.

I therefore pledge to be responsible for my words and actions while attending, coaching, officiating, or participating in a youth sport and shall conform my behavior to the following code of conduct:

- 1. I will not engage in unsportsmanlike conduct with any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
- 2. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to engage in unsportsmanlike conduct with any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
- 3. I will not engage in any behavior which would endanger the health, safety, or well-being of any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendees.
- 4. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to engage in any behavior which would endanger the health, safety or well-being of any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendees.
- I will not use drugs or alcohol while at a youth sports event and will not attend, coach, officiate, or participate in a youth sports event while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- 6. I will not permit my child, or encourage any other person, to use drugs or alcohol at a youth sports event and will not permit my child, or encourage any other person, to attend, coach, officiate, or participate in a youth sports event while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- 7. I will not engage in the use of profanity.
- 8. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to engage in the use of profanity.
- 9. I will treat any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee with respect regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, or ability.
- I will encourage my child to treat any coach, player, participant, official, or any other attendee with respect regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, or ability.
- 11. I will not engage in verbal or physical threats or abuse aimed at any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendees.
- 12. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to engage in verbal or physical threats or abuse aimed at any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendees.
- 13. I will not initiate a fight or scuffle with any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendees.
- 14. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to initiate a fight or scuffle with any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendees.

I hereby agree that if I fail to conform to my conduct to the foregoing while attending, coaching, officiating, or participating in a youth sports event I will be subject to disciplinary action, including but not limited to the following in any order or combination:

- 1. Verbal warning issued by a league, organization, or school official.
- 2. Written warning by a league, organization, or school official.
- Suspension or immediate ejection from a youth sports event issued by a league, organization, or school official who is authorized to issue such suspension or ejection by a school board or youth sports organization.
- 4. Suspension from multiple youth sports events issued by a league, organization, or school official who is authorized to issue such suspension or ejection by a school board or youth sports organization.

Please sign on the signature form that you have read and understand the information provided above.

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