



PARENT PLEDGE

I/we hereby pledge to be a positive Christian role model for my children participating in Catholic school sports:

1. Accepts his or her role as a Christian parent who is watching and enjoying a sport
2. Enrolls the child into the sport, with the realization that being part of a team is a commitment to both practices and games by the child and parent(s).
3. Insists that the child enter the sport with enthusiasm even if the child is not a gifted player.
4. Sees to their child being prompt for all practices and scheduled games and is prompt when picking up a child at the end of practice.
5. Does not permit a child who is absent from school to attend practice or a game within the same day.
6. Understands that children must perform in their academics to be eligible to play. Poor report card grades equal removal from practice and games even if these practices or games are in preparation for a tournament.
7. Grades can and should be monitored by parents via school tools and systems.
8. Understands that excessive detentions may lead to removal from practice and games even in preparation for a tournament.
9. Does not encourage a child who wishes to miss a practice to use the excuse of illness.
10. Understands that he/she is NOT the coach and must be supportive of the coach.
11. Controls his/her emotions both during and after games.
12. Speaks with the coach privately regarding any topic of concern (i.e., equal playing time, a biased call, etc.) regarding their child ONLY.
13. Never shout at the coach or step out of the bleachers to approach a coach while the game is in session or immediately following the game. Abides by a "cooling" off period before contacting the coach (i.e., the 24-hour rule).
14. Realizes that sports at Blessed Francis Seelos Academy are meant to be instructional, developmental, and preparatory, and only a part of the overall school program.
15. Realizes that the best gift he/she can give a child is the good example he/she sets as a parent.
16. Helps his/her son or daughter see an injustice, accept a missed call, work through hurt feelings, and deal with all facets appropriately.
17. Agrees that sports are one facet of a child's life and not a life-threatening or life-altering event.

18. Never ridicule the home team, the visiting team, or the coaches.
19. Allows the officials to call the game despite their disagreement with a call.
20. Knows that being disrespectful or physical in any way to players, visitors, coaches, or referees at home or away venues are cause for dismissal from the venue.
21. Knows that every child of every sport is an integral part of a team, which represents Blessed Francis Seelos Academy.
22. No one who contributes the defamation of the school's name in any way may continue to belong to the sports program.

Parent Signature

Parent Name (printed)

Date