

2008
BETHLEHEM POP WARNER
CODE OF CONDUCT
FOOTBALL & CHEERLEADING COACHES

All Coaches hereby pledge to conduct themselves in a manner which reflects positively on the organization and demonstrates good character and sportsmanship by adhering to the Code of Conduct as follows:

- Provide positive support and encouragement to all players, cheerleaders, coaches, referees, and Pop Warner officials at every game and practice.
- Treat all players, cheerleaders, coaches, fans, referees, and officials with respect regardless of race, sex, creed, or ability.
- Place the emotional & physical well-being of all persons above any personal desire to win.
- Remember that the game is for children and not for adults.
- Refrain from the use of drugs, alcohol, and tobacco at all Pop Warner events.
- Refrain from the use of abusive or profane language or gestures at any time.
- Accept decisions of the game officials on the field and judges in competitions as being fair and called to the best ability of said officials.
- Strive to make every football and cheer activity serve as a training ground for life, and a basis for good mental and physical health.
- Emphasize that athletes who strive to be good students are physically and mentally alert.
- Discourage unsportsmanlike conduct.
- Emphasize that winning is the result of good teamwork.
- Not run up the score.
- Together with team officials and/or Board of Directors, be jointly responsible for the conduct and control of team fans and spectators. Any spectator that becomes a nuisance or is out of control will be asked to leave.
- Not receive payment, in any form, for services as a Pop Warner Football/Cheer Coach.
- Not permit or encourage “sweating down” tactics for a player to make the team weight.
- Not recommend or distribute any medication, controlled or over the counter, except as specifically prescribed by participant’s physician, with written parental permission, and under the guidance of the Pop Warner Safety Director.
- Not permit an ineligible player or cheerleader to participate in a game or competition.
- Remove from a game/practice any participant when even slightly in doubt about his/her health, whether or not as a result of injury, until competent medical advice is available.
- Uphold all Pop Warner National, Regional, and Local rules and regulations.

If any of these provisions are violated, Bethlehem Pop Warner shall have the authority to impose a Disciplinary action.

Signature: _____

Date: _____