



OCTORARA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT PARENT/GUARDIAN CODE OF ETHICAL CONDUCT & EXPECTATIONS

Home of the BRAVES

Interscholastic athletics is an integral part of the total educational program of the Octorara Area School District. The purpose of the athletic program is to promote the physical, mental, moral, social, and emotional well-being of each student-athlete, while teaching them sportsmanship, commitment, sacrifice, teamwork, and hard work. The purpose of this code of conduct is to develop parental support and positive role models for our student-athletes. Listed below are the guidelines and expectations that the Octorara Area School District expects all parents/guardians to follow for all athletic events, home and away.

A. EXPECTATIONS FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS

As an Octorara Area School District parent/guardian, I agree to:

- be a positive role model for my child, the school and community;
- display a positive attitude and behavior;
- show respect for all participants, officials, coaches, athletic personnel, and school facilities;
- teach my child that hard work and honest effort are more important than winning;
- put the best interests of the team above my child's personal glory;
- avoid putting pressure on my child to start, score, or be the star of the team;
- encourage my child to attend school regularly and excel academically;
- inform my child of the dangers of using and discourage the use of any controlled substances or tobacco;
- follow the chain of command when I have a concern; and
- express my concerns and questions in a courteous and civil manner.
- Abide by the OASD Athletic Health and Safety plan.

B. CONSEQUENCES FOR SPECTATOR EJECTION FROM AN EVENT OR VIOLATION OF CODE OF CONDUCT

1. FIRST OFFENSE:

Any spectator who commits a first offense by violating the ethical code of conduct and/or being ejected from any sporting event hosted or sponsored by the Octorara Area School District must satisfy all of the following requirements before that spectator is permitted to attend any further athletic events hosted or sponsored by the Octorara Area School District:

- a. Complete the online "Positive Sport Parenting" course at NFHSLearn.com (or another course deemed acceptable by the Athletic Director).
- b. Attend an in-person meeting with the appropriate school Principal and Athletic Director at which the spectator will be required to present the Certificate of Completion awarded after completion of the "Positive Sport Parenting" course.

- 2. SECOND OFFENSE:** Any spectator who commits a second offense by violating the ethical code of conduct and/or being ejected from any sporting event hosted or sponsored by the Octorara Area School District must complete all of the following requirements before that spectator is permitted to attend any further athletic events hosted or sponsored by the Octorara Area School District:
- a. A second completion of the “Positive Sport Parenting” course at NFHSlearn.com (or another course deemed acceptable by the Athletic Director).
 - b. Attend a second in-person meeting with the Superintendent, appropriate school Principal and Athletic Director at which the spectator will be required to present the Certificate of Completion awarded after second completion of the “Positive Sport Parenting” course.
 - c. Serve a suspension from any and all athletic events hosted or sponsored by the Octorara Area School District for 30 days from the date of the second offense.
- 3. THIRD OFFENSE:** Any spectator who commits a third offense by violating the ethical code of conduct and/or being ejected from any sporting event hosted or sponsored by the Octorara Area School District will not be permitted to attend any and all further athletic events hosted or sponsored by the Octorara Area School District for a period of one year from the date of the offense.
- 4. FOURTH OFFENSE:** Any spectator who commits a fourth offense by violating the ethical code of conduct and/or ejected from any sporting event hosted or sponsored by the Octorara Area School District will be permanently barred from any and all athletic events hosted or sponsored by the Octorara Area School District.

WE/I AS (A) PARENT(S) HAVE READ THE ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT PARENT/GUARDIAN CODE OF ETHICAL CONDUCT & EXPECTATIONS DOCUMENT. WE/I UNDERSTAND THAT A FAILURE TO ABIDE BY THIS DOCUMENT MAY RESULT IN MY NOT BEING ABLE TO ATTEND FUTURE ATHLETIC CONTESTS

Student’s Name : _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

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