



## **2023/2024 Athletic Handbook**





## **Statement of Beliefs**

**We are a Christian organization. All coaches, administrators and other individuals in leadership positions will agree to and are expected to follow Biblical guidelines for personal behavior.**



# **CCCA**



## **Player Eligibility**

1. Players and parents must agree to and sign the Player Registration and Medical Authorization Form for the sport they are participating in.
2. Maintain passing grades
3. Have a current sports physical (good for 1 year)

# **CCA Code of Conduct for Athletes:**

## **Practices and Games**

Players should recognize that their performance and attitude during practice significantly influence their playing time in games. It is crucial for players to exhibit a willingness to adhere to the authority of coaches and officials, put forth maximum effort, and maintain a teachable attitude. Each player is an integral part of the team, and as such, must be prepared to fulfill any role that contributes to the overall success of the team. Failure to meet these expectations may lead to reduced playing time during games. Additionally, players are expected to refrain from using profanity or engaging in demeaning speech at all times, even in the midst of intense competition.

In addition to the expectations, mentioned above, it is important to note that if a player experiences academic challenges during the season, such as failing a class, there will be a suspension imposed until the next progress report becomes available. Academic performance is integral to our commitment to well-rounded development, and this policy reinforces the significance of maintaining good standing in both athletics and academics.

## **Suspensions, Technical Fouls, Cautions, Ejections, and Dismissals**

Any athlete receiving a conduct technical foul, penalty, or a verbal caution due to lack of self-control may be removed for the remainder of the game. Any athlete who displays a negative response to an official or to a coach may be removed for the remainder of the game. Any athlete receiving an ejection from the game due to an inappropriate and/or flagrant conduct may be suspended from the next game and may also be required to attend a coaches/parent and/pr committee meeting. A subsequent ejection may result in removal from the team for the remainder of the season. Behavior warranting of an ejection or dismissal does not show Christ-likeness, nor does it show respect for the sport, officials, or the coaching staff.

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The athlete's reaction to a corrected offense carries greater significance than the offense itself. This response serves as a clear reflection and indicator of their character. As adherents of the Christian faith, it is imperative that we respond with respect and accountability. Consequently, we must strive for personal growth in our reactions, aligning them with the qualities of humility and character exemplified by Christ. Thus, if an athlete persists in demonstrating an unwillingness to change, flagrant disrespect for authority, or actions and attitudes inconsistent with Christian values, their removal from the team will become necessary.

### **Appearance**

Every athlete and coach must ensure they are well-groomed and dressed appropriately when attending sporting events, both before, during, and after the competition. Visible undergarments should not be seen, and it is essential to arrive at the athletic venue already in the proper uniform for warm-up. Players are accountable for ensuring they have all the necessary uniform and equipment with them.

### **Attendance**

Players are required to attend and be punctual for all practices and games. If a player anticipates missing or being late for a game or practice, they, or their parents, should promptly inform the coach. Excused late arrivals or absences will not result in immediate consequences, but potential game playing time adjustments will be at the coach's discretion.

Parents are tasked with providing transportation for players to and from practices and games. If a player requires a ride to a practice or game, parents can contact the coach or arrange alternative transportation through the team's group chat platform.

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## Disciplinary Action

Disciplinary measures will be at the discretion of the coach and/or the Athletic Director and will be assessed on an individual basis. These actions may encompass, but are not confined to, consequences such as loss of playing time, temporary game suspensions, or even dismissal or expulsion from the team.

An athlete may face dismissal from the team for the following reasons:

- Displaying an attitude that is unteachable or uncooperative.
- Engaging in actions or behaviors that tarnish the team's reputation and the reputation of Cleburne Christian Academy. Such behaviors include, but are not limited to, inappropriate social media posts, or the use of alcohol, tobacco, or illegal drugs.

Our unwavering objective is to continually exemplify the character of Christ through our attitudes and sportsmanship. Coaches will actively seek and promote this character trait, and any athlete who does not aspire to cultivate a Godly character will not be eligible to participate for CCA



# CCA Code of Conduct for Parents:

## Practices and Games

Ensure that your player attends all practices and games punctually. It's advisable to arrive a few minutes ahead of practice to allow your player ample time to prepare, rather than rushing in after practice has commenced. Arrival times for games are typically determined at the coach's discretion.

## During the Game

Foster and exemplify good sportsmanship. Show your support by cheering and clapping for all players from the bleachers. Kindly refrain from stepping onto the court or field and providing coaching instructions from the stands. Multiple sources of coaching can be distracting for your player as they compete against their opponents. By allowing the coaching staff and players to do their part and encouraging them, you demonstrate confidence in their abilities.

Please refrain from engaging with game officials. In the event of a disagreement with a call, the coach can follow the established rules for recourse, and we should accept these decisions. It is important to teach our players the proper way to address authorities.

## After the Game

If you have inquiries or concerns regarding coaching decisions or player involvement during a game, we kindly ask that you avoid approaching the coach immediately after the game. Instead, we encourage you to contact the Athletic Director for any queries or disputes related to coaching or player matters.

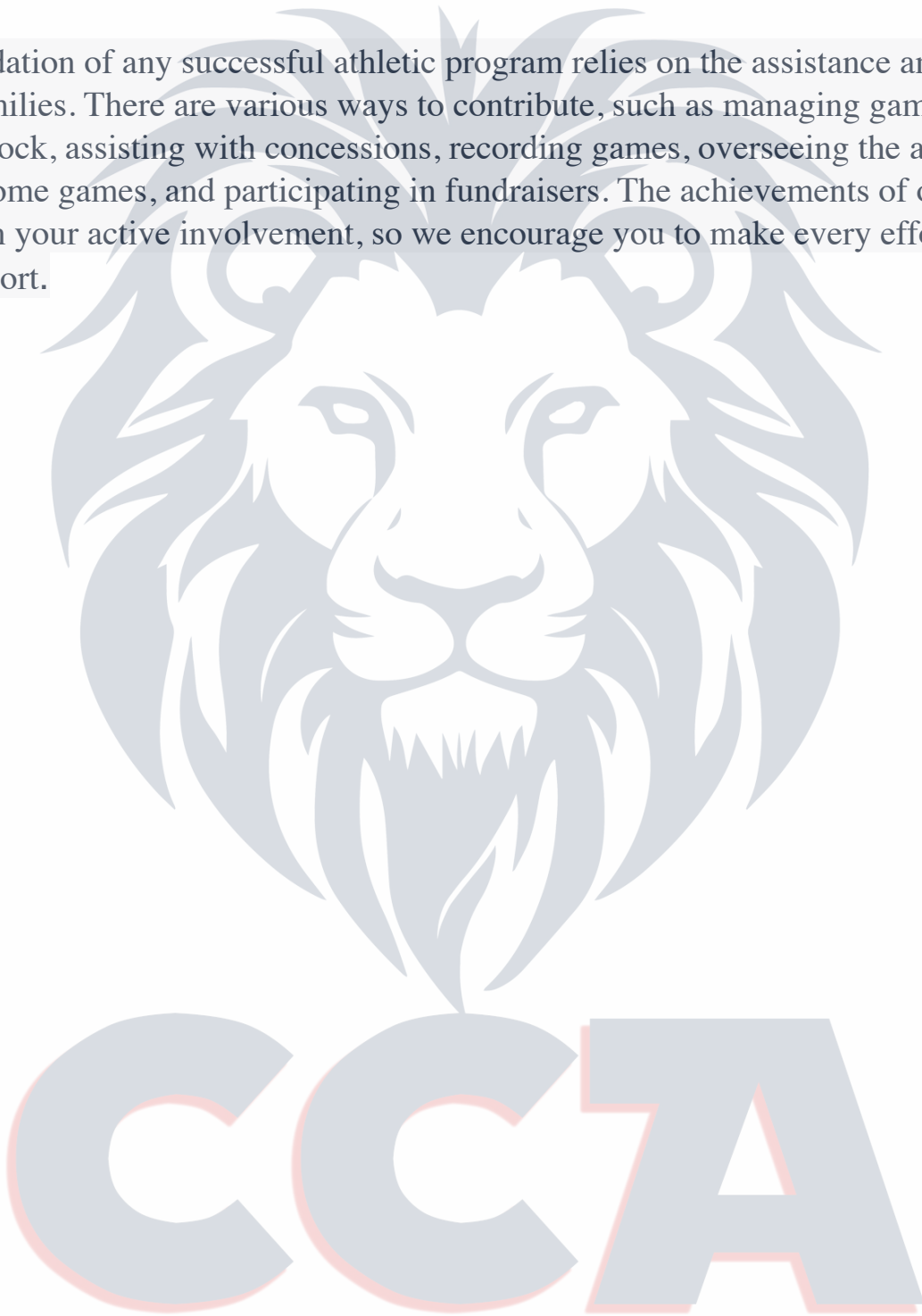
Parents are urged to provide encouragement and support to the coaches, the team as a whole, and individual players. It's essential to avoid harsh criticism of the team, opposing teams, coaches, officials, or Cleburne Christian Academy. Parents are expected to ensure that their actions and interactions with other CCA families reflect God-honoring behavior and demonstrate respect toward fellow players and their families within the program.



# CCA Code of Conduct for Parents:

## Volunteers

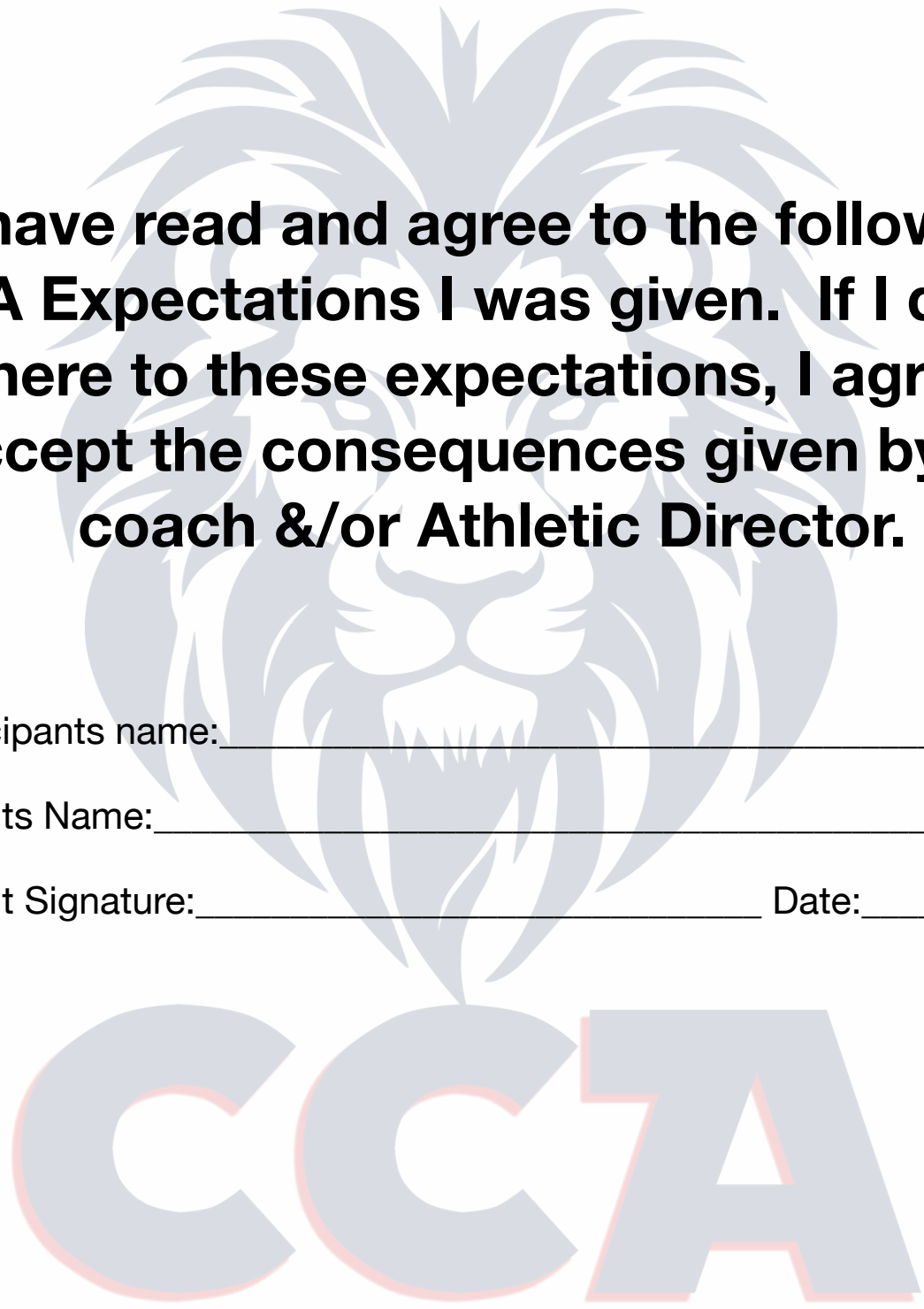
The foundation of any successful athletic program relies on the assistance and backing of our families. There are various ways to contribute, such as managing game statistics and the clock, assisting with concessions, recording games, overseeing the admission table at home games, and participating in fundraisers. The achievements of our program depend on your active involvement, so we encourage you to make every effort to lend your support.





## **CCA expects its Coaches to:**

1. Be responsible for their own behavior and also the behavior of their team members, their parents, and fans.
2. Lead by example in being respectful of other players, coaches, fans, and officials at all times.
3. Provide a sports environment for their team that is free of drugs, tobacco, alcohol, and abusive language at all CCA Volleyball events..
4. Place the emotional and physical well being of their players ahead of a personal desire or external pressure to win.
5. Never publicly demean a player, official, opposing coach, or parent.
6. Ensure that their players are supervised by a coach or another designated adult and never allow their players to be left unattended or unsupervised at a game or practice.
7. Never knowingly permit an injured player to play or return to the game if that injury could cause further damage to the injured area.
8. Take reasonable steps to see that all equipment used by their players is safe and conforms to standards.
9. Take the initiative in resolving any known or suspected conflict relating to a player or family.
10. Accept positive and negative feedback graciously as from the Lord.
11. Communicate expectations--including these CCA Volleyball expectations



**I have read and agree to the following  
CCA Expectations I was given. If I do not  
adhere to these expectations, I agree to  
accept the consequences given by my  
coach &/or Athletic Director.**

Participants name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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