

Westerville Warcats Hockey Association Players Code of Conduct

As a player for the Westerville Warcats Hockey Association (WWHA) you are representing your respective schools, the community teammates and coaches. Player's should always conduct themselves so as to maintain the highest principles, integrity, and dignity of the WWHA and the game of hockey in general. These rules and guidelines will be enforced to help ensure each player's conduct is reflective of the WWHA expectations.

- Players accept that their academic responsibilities supersede their athletic responsibilities, and it is the player's responsibility to maintain grades that are acceptable to his/her parents and to conform to the WWHA GPA policy.
- Players will not use or be under the influence of any performance-enhancing or illegal drugs, alcohol, or tobacco products at any WWHA function. In the interest of safety, immediate suspension pending review may result when a coach has a reasonable suspicion that a player has used or is under the influence of drugs or alcohol
- Players accept the authority of all game officials. At no time is it appropriate to demonstrably question the decisions and actions of game officials, particularly on-ice officials. Discussions with officials are the responsibility of the coach and team captain and will be conducted in a respectful manner
- Player's actions will never deliberately jeopardize the safety and well being of opponents, teammates, officials or spectators.
- Players will understand and abide by the rules of the coaches, Greater Columbus High School Club Hockey League and USA Hockey
- Players will dress appropriately for games as determined by the WWHA dress code. Players will not wear clothing that is offensive and/or embarrassing to the team.
- Players will show respect for the facilities used by the team including the locker rooms, ice rinks and off ice facilities
- Players will not conduct or take part in any form of player initiations or hazing activities
- Players will refrain from taunting opponents and using foul language while conversing with opponents, officials, teammates and coaches
- Players will always demonstrate good sportsmanship, win or lose
- Players will treat everyone fairly, regardless of gender, ethnicity, race, religion, sexual orientation, or economic status
- Players understand that these rules also apply to off-ice team events such as at hotels and restaurants during tournaments and other team gatherings

I understand that I will be subject to appropriate disciplinary measures by team coaches and/or the WWHA Board for failing to abide by these rules. Penalties can include "benching", suspension from practices or games and, if deemed necessary, termination from the WWHA. There will be no refund for any unused ice times, tournament or game fees as a result of such suspension and/or forfeiture.

Player's signature _____

Player's Printed Name _____

Witness signature (Parent or guardian) _____

Date _____

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