

# **Joseph H. Firth Youth Center**

## **CODE OF CONDUCT**

The Joseph H. Firth Youth Center requires sportsmanship by all members, coaches, players, parents, and fans. There will be no tolerance for negative statements or actions between opposing players, coaches, parents or fans. This includes taunting, baiting, berating opponents, "Trash-Talking or actions which ridicule or cause embarrassment to them. Any verbal, written or physical conduct related to race, gender, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation or religion shall not be tolerated, could subject the violator to ejection, and may result in ejection from the Firth Youth Center. If such comments are heard, a verbal warning will be assessed immediately. It is the supervisor's and/or coach's responsibility to remind players, parents, and fans of this policy.

The Board of Directors requires that all activities and competitions held at the Firth Youth Center must feature high standards of courtesy, fair play, and sportsmanship.

Unsportsmanlike conduct shall include but not be limited to the following:

- a) Any person (member, youth organization representative, coach, student-athlete or a fan or spectator associated with the team) who strikes or physically abuses a Firth Youth Center staff person, official, opposing coach, player or spectator.
- b) Any person (member, youth organization representative, coach, student-athlete or a fan or spectator associated with the team) who intentionally incites participants or spectators to violent or abusive action.
- c) Any person (member, youth organization representative, coach, student-athlete or a fan or spectator associated with the team) who uses obscene gestures or profane or unduly provocative language or action towards Firth Youth Center staff, officials, opponents, members, or spectators.
- d) Any person (member, youth organization representative, coach, student-athlete or a fan or spectator associated with a member school) who engages in harassing verbal or physical conduct related to race, gender, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation, or religion.
- e) Any youth organization representative, coach student-athlete or fan or spectator associated with the team who is publicly critical of any Firth Youth Center staff person, official, opponent and/or opposing coaches/players.

**ANY PERSON IN VIOLATION OF THE FIRTH YOUTH CENTER CODE OF CONDUCT WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE THE FACILITY. ADDITIONAL CONSEQUENCES MAY BE ISSUED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, IF WARRANTED.**