



# NORTHSIDE LIONS

## Lions Homeschool Sports Club Player's Code of Conduct and Dress Code 2017-18

Your parents are your first authority under Jesus Christ. These guidelines do not replace your parents, but pertain to the Lions Homeschool Sports Club (LHSC) activities and the entire premises of the game or practices; that is the gym, parking lot, rides to and from games/practices, fundraisers, facility restrooms, locker rooms, stands, concession areas, sports banquets, and associated facilities. Remember, you represent your family, your team, and above all, your Lord Jesus Christ.

### The Standards of Conduct and Dress:

1. No disagreement with an official's call by the use of verbal and/or non-verbal manners (throwing the ball, hitting or kicking anything, negative facial expression or gestures directed towards the official, etc...).
2. No use of vulgar gestures or language.
3. No use of drugs, alcohol, or tobacco at any time.
4. No fighting or provoking another player to fight.
5. No poor sportsmanship including, but not limited to:
  - Taunting or making fun of the opposing team, its cheerleaders, facilities, or your fellow teammates.
  - Not showing respect to pre-game prayer, Pledge of Allegiance, and the National Anthem.
  - The refusal to shake an opponent's hand, and removal of any game equipment while on the court.
6. Disrespect is an infraction. Always show respect toward game officials, coaches, players and fans. Disrespect of others such as public officials, authority figures in businesses that we are visiting (i.e. restaurants, hotels), and officials of the host organizations for the games and tournaments is also considered an infraction.
7. Out of respect, each player must notify one of his coaches if he will be late to, or miss a practice and/or game.
8. Clothing/appearance standards (arriving to and following games).
  - Game day attire for JH, JV, and Varsity is your Lions warm-up suit. U10/U12 players must wear your black sweat pants and shooting shirts before and after playing.
  - Shoes, dress or sneakers, are preferred. Flip flops or Crocs are acceptable attire if the player wears his game socks with them. Regardless, footwear must be in good repair.
  - No jewelry "pierced" or otherwise, is to be worn during practices or games.
  - Basketball uniform shirt tucked in at all times.
  - Pants and uniform shorts worn at the waist.
  - Conservative hairstyle.
  - No facial hair or tattoos (if you already have a tattoo it must be covered).

## Framework of Discipline

The following steps will be taken in addressing discipline problems in the sports club. Steps may be combined or skipped depending on the seriousness and persistence of the problems.

1. Coaches or club leaders counsel and pray with the team member. Immediately, short term disciplinary action taken at the coach's discretion. Reconciliation is to be made for inappropriate behavior before the evening ends.
2. Coaches, board member(s), player and parent(s) have a conference.
3. Disciplinary action (if needed) is taken in keeping with the seriousness of the offense. Suspension will be the major penalty used by the sports club. The second step will be probation and/or further suspension. Suspension time and length will be at the discretion of the coaching staff.
4. Recommendation by the head coach or board members to the Lions Board for expulsion.

Our greatest desire for all LHSC players is that they have fun and work hard as a team while bringing honor and glory to God as a result of their efforts. It is with that in mind that we have established these standards of behavior which will be strictly enforced.

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I have read and will submit to the policies and procedures established by the Lions Homeschool Sports Club and the above Code of Conduct and Dress Code. I am willing to accept the disciplinary actions given to me by the LHSC board and coaching staff.

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Player's Signature

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Date

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Please print your name here