

CATHOLIC YOUTH ORGANIZATION
SACRED HEART PARISH
MANOA, PA.



Coaches Responsibility

A CYO Coach is primarily a minister of Youth with a gift of reaching out to young people through athletics.

CYO head coaches must be present and responsible for the team at all times.

Responsibility of the Head Coach includes:

1. Attend a coach's orientation seminar sponsored by the Archdiocesan CYO office. According to the Archdiocesan regulations, all coaches and assistants must be accredited prior to their second year coaching
2. Submit a State Police record check to the CYO Board
3. Be knowledgeable of all aspects in the CYO Athletics manual and ensure that all rules and policies are faithfully observed.
4. Attend a pre-season coaches meeting at the time and place designated by the athletic director.
5. Conduct a pre-season meeting of parents/coaches to ensure that everyone understands their responsibilities.
6. Perform a community service project with the team.
7. All rosters are to be checked and signed by the office for youth ministry for correct dates of birth, school, grade and parish registration.
8. Conduct themselves in a Christian manner which will reflect credit on their parish and the CYO, ensuring team members and followers do the same.
9. Teach and guide the youth on the team with a sense of fair play, sportsmanship and acceptance of winning and losing in accordance with Christian ideals.
10. Be responsible for the actions of team members and followers from the parish.
11. Collect and turn in to Athletic Director Sacred Heart Player Registration forms and Student Responsibilities contract prior to uniform distribution.
12. Take care not to schedule practice or games that interfere with HOLY DAYS, Religious duties, Classes, CCD Classes or Gym Closings.
13. Inform the Sacred Heart CYO Board Athletic Director of any misconduct of students which is in violation of the student code of conduct.
14. Implement and monitor the conditions of a student suspension if mandated by the Sacred Heart CYO Board. A full report should be given to the Sacred Heart CYO Board when the student is completed.
15. Coaches will be appointed for one season, coaches must re-apply each season, and be approved by the Sacred Heart CYO Board. Coaching positions will be advertised prior to each season in the church bulletin.

Coaches Suspension

The Sacred Heart CYO Board is empowered to relieve a coach of his/her position if found in violation of archdiocesan and/or Sacred Heart CYO policy. If a coach is suspended, Sacred Heart CYO Board reserves the right not to re-new his/her coaching eligibility. Some specific violations are listed below:

1. Failure to inform Sacred Heart CYO Board of any infraction(s) against the student/player.
2. Failure to comply with any or all of the Sacred Heart CYO Board sanctions for a player's suspension or expulsion
3. Failure to attend the coaches orientation seminar.
4. Public outbursts of anger or foul language or physical or verbal abuse by a coach towards players, refs, or others will not be tolerated and call for an immediate suspension.

Awards For Team Accomplishments

- 9) Sacred Heart CYO Teams, Coaches, and student/players are recognized for their participation and individual and/or team achievements at an awards ceremony during the annual Sacred Heart CYO Sports Banquet. The banquet is held near the end of the school year.

Each individual team coaching staff selects MVP and Sportsmanship awards.

10) Additional awards

- a) If a Sacred Heart CYO Athletic team wins a tournament or Parish league title, the team may purchase award items at their own expense with possible financial assistance from the Sacred Heart CYO Board. However, any item bearing the name of Sacred Heart; Sacred Heart CYO; Sacred Heart Crusaders; CYO or any other names associated with Sacred Heart must be approved by the Sacred Heart CYO Board before purchase.
- b) If a Sacred Heart CYO Athletic team wins an Archdiocesan Title, the Sacred Heart CYO will purchase a special Team Accomplishment Award.(plaques. Shirts, etc.). The Sacred Heart CYO Board is open to suggestions for this award. From the team; however, the Board reserves the right to set a price range for this parish CYO contribution

Tournament Games

- a) Sacred Heart CYO follows the Archdiocesan CYO Mandates regarding Tournament play
- b) The Sacred Heart CYO Board reserves the right to limit the financial support given to the teams for Tournament play. If a team is in tournaments beyond the scope (financially) of the Board, the Athletic Director must approve participation prior to the coaches soliciting money from the players' parents.
- c) The official team name for the Sacred Heart CYO Athletic Teams is "Sacred Heart Crusaders". The name "Sacred Heart Crusaders" is reserved for CYO Athletic Team use, or approved Tournaments.

Criteria for Most Outstanding Athlete Award

- a) Two awards are offered each year; one for girls and one for boys.
- b) A student must participate in a minimum of three (3) CYO Sports per year during his/her 8th grade.
- c) A student who fails or receives a "U" (Unsatisfactory) in conduct in his/her 8th grade is ineligible for this award.
- d) A student who is suspended from CYO Sports or from his/her school during his/her 8th grade is ineligible
- e) Each 8th grade athlete is rated for ability, sportsmanship, etc. by the coaching staff of each sport in which they participate.
- f) The athlete with the overall highest rating is awarded the Most Outstanding Athlete Award.