

MENTOR HIGH SCHOOL COACHES PLEDGE

In the Mentor High Athletic Department we have a set of core beliefs that we feel all coaches should live by. These core beliefs extend beyond knowledge of athletics, but extend into the lives of the student-athlete. We hold that coaching is one of the most important responsibilities in the school and it involves at least the same level of commitment that coaches expect of their players. Mutual respect and team membership are to be expected equally of player and coach and, for the coach, involve the following promises:

As a coach at Mentor High School, I promise:

1. To be a model of appropriate language and behavior.
2. View the Mentor High Athletic Department as a program and encourage my student athletes to engage in as many activities as possible to enhance the student athlete and the program.
3. To respect and dignify each of my athletes as an individual
4. To promote the safety of each athlete and to ask no more in practice or competition than each is capable of, but...
5. To promote the conditions that encourages each athlete to realize his or her full potential.
6. To impose time demands that acknowledges the primary importance of each athlete's academic and family responsibilities.
7. To promote among all athletes and coaches a solid sense of team membership.
8. To reflect in my coaching the best and most recent strategy in my sport.
9. To assist, whenever appropriate, with the post-high school planning of my players as it relates to athletics.
10. To be available to parents at times that are mutually convenient.
11. To work with other school personnel to guarantee the best interests of each of my student athletes.