

# Parent Expectations

## **Communications you should expect from your child's coach:**

1. Philosophy of the coach.
2. Coach's expectations of your child
3. Location of times of all practices and games.
4. Team requirements, i.e. practices, special equipment, out of season training.
5. Procedures to follow should our child be injured during participation.
6. Discipline that may result in the denial of your child's participation.

## **Communications that coaches expect from parents:**

1. Concerns expressed directly to the coach.
2. Specific concerns with regard to a coach's philosophy and/or expectations.
3. Notification of any illness or injury or missed practices.

## **Appropriate concerns to discuss with the coaches:**

1. Treatment of your child, mentally and physically.
2. Ways to help your child improve concerns about your child's behavior.

It is very difficult to accept when your child is not playing as much as you may hope. Coaches are teachers. They make judgment decisions based on what they believe to be best for all students involved. As you have seen from the list on the previous page, certain things can and should be discussed with the coach. Other things, such as the ones listed below, must be left to the professional judgment of the coach.

## **If this does not resolve the problem, parents should:**

1. Call the school and request a return call or a face-to-face meeting with the coach and AP in charge of Athletics.
2. Coaches will make time available in their day to meet with students and parents (this will usually be at the end of a practice session).