



# St Bede the Venerable H.S. Coed Volleyball Parent/Player Agreement



Sports is one component of a parish's comprehensive youth ministry program which enables the partnership of parents, coaches, priests, teachers, and adult leaders to manage and support a sports program that allows youth to grow in their relationship with God and come to better understand themselves and the Catholic faith. Therefore, to ensure that everyone involved is aware and concurs with the Archdiocese of Philadelphia's mission statement, the below agreement must be signed by all parents/guardians and players involved with the St Bede Volleyball team.

## Practices

Practice is an important element in volleyball development.

Parents/guardians and players are expected to ensure players:

- Notify the coach of an anticipated absence well in advanced of the practice, whenever possible;
- Are at the court ready for practice no less than 5 minutes before the start time;
- Are prepared (this includes proper training gear including shorts, t-shirt, sneakers and other appropriate apparel for volleyball);
- Treat their coaches, teammates and parents/guardians with respect.
- Parents / Guardian to pick up participants on time after practice, unless the player has driven himself or herself to practice; .
- Respect the property of St. Bedes and all parishes at which they will play.

## Games and Tournaments

The focus of the season is the growth of the individual spiritually, socially and athletically. It is crucial for the team to be properly warmed up and briefed by the coach prior to the tip-off of the game. As such parents/guardians and players are expected to:

- Notify the coach of an absence well in advance of a game, whenever possible.
- Be at the court no less than 15 minutes, ready to play, and prior to the scheduled start time. Note that the coach may ask you to be there earlier;
- Be prepared (this includes proper game gear including shorts, t-shirt, uniform, sneakers and other appropriate apparel for volleyball);
- Have somebody they trust (other than the coaches) on hand in case of injury or sickness.

## Team Meetings

Parents/guardians and players are expected to attend every team meeting as requested by the coaching staff. Parents are welcome, and encouraged, to attend practices and games.

## Court/Gym Sideline Behaviour

In particular parents/guardians are expected to adhere to the following rules when attending a game or practice. This includes before, during and after the session.

- **DO** encourage your child.
- **DO** encourage the team.
- **DO** treat the other team, the referee and other parents with respect.
- **DO** set a good example for the players. Refrain from smoking or other inappropriate activities in the vicinity of the court/gym.
- **DO NOT** instruct the players.
- **DO NOT** speak to or question the referee.
- **DO NOT** use foul or abusive language.
- **DO NOT** questions the player choice or tactics of the coach.
- **DO NOT** criticize the coach or the players.
- **All Family and Friends** must adhere to the fore mentioned behaviour policies. Failure to do so will result in removal from the gymnasium.

## On Court Behaviour

Players are expected to:

- Treat their coaches, teammates, opposing players, referees and parents/guardians with respect;
- Come prepared to work hard and learn;
- Refrain from using foul and abusive language; and
- Play as a team.
- Maintain the proper perspective concerning what this league is about, that is, positive social interaction with friends and students from other parishes.

## Concerns

St Bede has an open door policy for concerns. Problems will be identified and dealt with at the earliest possible time.

Concerns should be voiced to the following members of St. Bede Volleyball. It is important that the concerns be voiced in the following order:

- Coach
- Youth Minister
- Priest Moderator

Note that the best ways to contact the coach are through email, by phone or after practice, not before, during or immediately after a game.

## Consequences

If for any reason these guidelines are not followed by the parents/guardians or player, any one or all of the following steps may be taken by the coach or St. Bede.

- Ask the parent/guardian to leave the court/gym
- Ask the parent/guardian to no longer attend games and practices.
- Remove the child from the team.

## Gym/Court

Please respect our court/gym. After all practices and games please put all trash in the trash cans located around the court/gym.

## Agreement

We hereby agree to follow the rules set out in this agreement and are aware of the consequences which may result in the event of non-compliance.

*Parent/guardian(s)*

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Signature

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Date

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Name (please print)

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*Player*

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