

Lancaster[®] Heysham

School Sports Network

Code of conduct for events and competitions

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Why is it important?

When attending an LHSSN competition or event, you, your school and any accompanying adults are adhering to this code of conduct. By agreeing to the code of conduct we assure that correct behaviour and attitudes are demonstrated by all event staff,

volunteers, officials, school staff, team supporters, coaches and participants involved in every LHSSN competition and event.

By accepting an invitation to an event, a school is acknowledging that they have read the pre-event information e.g. correct drop off points for children, rules and kit requirements.



Event staff/School staff/Team supporters/coaches and officials

- It is the participating schools responsibility to organise their own designated first aider for their school at each event
- Demonstrate proper personal behaviour and conduct at all times – positive role models
- Encourage participation in sport for fun, enjoyment and achievement
- Respect participants and the decisions of officials/young leaders
- Abide by the rules – be fair, honest and considerate
- Discourage poor sportsmanship
- Create and maintain a safe environment
- Use the six values to encourage all children and to be polite to teams, young leaders, officials and teachers (**Determination**, **Respect**, Self-Belief, **Teamwork**, **Honesty**, **Passion**)
- Please keep the environment clean at all times and to pick up rubbish as a team at the end of every event



Pupils

- To treat others with the same respect and fairness that I would like them to show to me.
- I will play within the rules, and respect officials and their decisions
- Demonstrate fair play on and off the field.
- To respect others regardless of gender, disability, race, ethnicity, and religious belief.
- I will not accept any behaviour that discriminates against others
- I will inform my teacher if I need to leave my team at any time.
- To inform an adult if I am concerned, or if I feel uncomfortable.
- I will be organised and on time.
- To take part for the love of the sport and try to make it a happy atmosphere for everyone.

Anyone deemed breaching these codes of conduct can be immediately disqualified from the competition, and if necessary, asked to leave.



Spectators

- It will be upto the school to monitor parents for inappropriate behaviour and challenge those parents in breach of our code of conduct.
- Please remember that young people participate in sport for their enjoyment and benefit, not yours.
- Acknowledge good performances from all individuals and teams.
- Congratulate all participants on their performance, regardless of the game's outcome.
- Respect the decisions of officials and teach young people to do the same.
- Never ridicule a young player for making a mistake. Positive comments are always motivational.
- Condemn the use of violence in any form, whether it is by other spectators, LHSSN events officials or players.
- Show respect for your team's opponents. Without them, there would be no game.
- Encourage all players to follow the rules and the officials' decisions.
- Do not use foul language or harass players, coaches or officials.
- Behave responsibly. Discriminatory, offensive and violent behaviour towards any individual is unacceptable and will be acted upon.
- Respect the rights and dignity of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

Anyone deemed breaching these codes of conduct will be given an initial warning and maybe asked to leave the site

Safeguarding

- Schools will only bring employed staff members to any event or competition unless agreed prior with LHSSN

- Staff attending will have an up-to-date DBS certificate
- Parents are not allowed to attend events

Photographs

- Photographs will be taken of participants to share on the LHSSN website and social media pages. It is the school's responsibility to inform the Competition organiser or LHSSN event staff if children do not photo consent.