

# Coaches' And Student-Athletes'

# Citizenship Expectations



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## PURPOSE PURPOSE

This brochure is designed to be an informational tool and guide for coaches and student-athletes to understand the citizenship expectations of the Interscholastic Athletic Program of Saint Vincent Pallotti High School.

These regulations and policies are set forth under the auspices of Saint Vincent Pallotti High School.

## PHILOSOPHY PHILOSOPHY

The Saint Vincent Pallotti High School Interscholastic Athletic Program

- Enhances and supports the academic mission of the school
- Is committed to promoting the proper ideals of sportsmanship, ethical conduct, and fair play at all athletic contests
- Supports high standards of good citizenship and propriety, along with regard for the rights of others.
- Provides challenging opportunities for our student-athletes to compete successfully at the league, tournament and post season level.

## ELIGIBILITY ELIGIBILITY

### Citizenship

A student athlete or coach who is ejected from a game for unsportsmanlike conduct or fighting will not be allowed to participate in the next game.

A substitute who leaves the team bench area and enters the playing area during a fight will be ejected.

The SECOND time a student-athlete or coach is disqualified in the same sport or any other sport during the school year, the penalty is doubled.

Any coach disqualified for a SECOND time during a school year or any coach who has three or more players disqualified during a school year is required to meet with the Director of Athletics and Principal.

The THIRD time a student-athlete or coach is disqualified in the same sport or any other sport during the school year shall result in immediate dismissal from the team for the remainder of the season. The offending student-athlete or coach shall be prohibited from any further participation in the interscholastic program for the remainder of the school year. Interscholastic participation by such individuals in subsequent school years may be jeopardized and will be judged on a case by case basis.

An ejection or disqualification prevents a player or coach from attending the next regularly scheduled contest site (this includes the bus, locker rooms, side lines, bench, stands, or anywhere on the contest site).

When the ejection or disqualification takes place during the last game of the season, the penalty will be served at the start of the next season in that sport.

If the penalty cannot be served because of resignation or graduation, the school's administration will take appropriate action.

Any player or coach who physically assaults an official, coach, player, or spectator shall be immediately dismissed from the team for the remainder of the season.

Once a player or coach has been disqualified, appeals from a coach, player, official or other part will not be honored.

A firm and fair policy of enforcement is necessary to uphold the regulations and standards of the athletic program.

All student-athletes shall abide by a code of ethics which will earn them the honor and respect that participation and competition in interscholastic athletics affords.

Any conduct that results in dishonor to the athlete, the team, or the school will not be tolerated. Acts of unacceptable conduct tarnish the reputation of everyone associated with the school, community, and athletic program. These acts include, but are not limited to the following: theft, vandalism, taunting, baiting, and fighting.

The welfare of the student-athlete is a major consideration and transcends any other consideration.

*“Sportsmanship is that quality of honor that desires always to be courteous, fair, and respectful, and it is interpreted in the conduct of player spectators, coaches, and school authorities.”*

**Fielding H. Yost**

(Former U. of Michigan Football Coach)