

OKC STORM ADMINISTRATORS' AND COACHES' CODE OF ETHICS

Athletics play a significant role in the holistic education of student-athletes. It is a powerful tool to develop leadership skills and Godly character. Thus, every effort should be made to *demonstrate* the highest standard of excellence and Christian Principles.

Therefore, relying on God, I am accountable for the student-athletes entrusted to me and, as an administrator or coach, I will strive to:

Carry out all aspects of our athletic program in a Godly manner, in concert with the mission of the institution and the goal of the athletes' education.

Follow all OKC STORM guidelines in both letter and spirit and strive to keep myself and my athletes in compliance with the NCHBC and OKC Storm guidelines.

Treat all athletes equally and celebrate their diversity, regardless of gender, ethnicity or cultural background.

Instill in my student-athletes Godly principles by demonstrating high standards of honesty and personal integrity while expecting the same from them. I will encourage spiritual growth in their walk with the Lord or attempt to lead them to a saving knowledge of Christ.

Put the needs, safety and protection of the athletes above winning or personal desires. I will strive to give balance to each individual as it relates to their performance and their spiritual, social, emotional, intellectual and physical well-being.

Develop independence in my athletes. Athletes must be encouraged and guided to accept responsibility for their behavior and performance in training and competition, as well as all aspects of their life.

Set and monitor appropriate boundaries between a working relationship and friendship with my athletes. I will not engage in behavior that is harassing or demeaning to any athlete.

Ensure that I am not attempting to exert undue influence over my athletes in order to obtain personal gain.

Respect the rights and privacy of my athletes by not sharing information that should remain confidential.

Demonstrate high personal standards and a Christ-like image to the athletes, parents, fans, officials, coaches and media.

Continue to maintain competence in my sport and ensure a safe environment. I will use careful judgment in protecting the welfare of all athletes.

Uphold professional standards of conduct and accept responsibility for my behavior. I will comply with standards and this code of conduct and ask my colleagues to hold me accountable.

All Athletic Coaches have reviewed the Code of Ethics and commit to uphold the OKC STORM ideals listed above.

Coach

Athletics Director's signature

Date