

Crandall Middle School 2017

Parent Expectations

Parents,

We are extremely excited about the upcoming athletic season and school year. We had a great spring and summer, our players have worked very hard, and our coaches are eager and anxious to get to work. As we approach the season and move forward, there are a few expectations we have for you as parents. Please know we will strive to do everything we can to help your son have a successful season.

First, please allow your daughter to be coached...we WILL hold your daughter accountable in every way...they don't care how much we know until they know how much we care!

Keep the lines of communication open. We are glad to speak with you concerning your son.

Appropriate concerns to discuss with coaches:

1. Situations involving your son
2. Ways to help your son improve
3. Your daughter's attitude, work ethic, and eligibility
4. Concerns about your daughter's behavior

Issues that are not appropriate to discuss with coaches or the Athletic Director:

1. Playing time of any student-athlete
2. Team strategy, practice organization, or play calling
3. Other student-athletes

The proper Chain of Command – allows your daughter to develop responsibility.

- 1 – Player & Coach
- 2 – Player & Head Coach
- 3 – Parent & Head Coach
- 4 – Parent & Athletic Director
- 5 – Parent & Campus Principal
- 5 – Parent & Superintendent

EXPECTATIONS & PROTOCOL FOR COACHES:

1. Promote the health and safety of student athletes at all times.
2. Be a model for appropriate language, sportsmanship, and behavior at all times.
3. Establish time demands that acknowledge the primary importance of each student-athlete's academic and family responsibilities.
4. Promote a solid sense of team and community among athletes and coaches.
5. Be available to meet with parents at times that are mutually convenient and in alignment with the athletic department's parent/coach guidelines.
6. Adhere to all UIL and CISD policies at all times.

PARENT EXPECTATIONS:

- Support your daughter's efforts
- Promote a positive environment
- Treat coaches with courtesy & respect – We are human and will make mistakes.
- Assure that your student-athlete attends all practices & games – Communication!
- Encourage sportsmanship with courtesy & respect
- Respect the decisions & authority of officials – they are human and will make mistakes.
- Be gracious in victory & defeat
- Avoid unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, parent or staff member
- Demand a drug, alcohol, and tobacco free environment
 - Drugs, alcohol, and tobacco are problems at schools across our country.
 - Please talk to your daughter and help us control this issue.
- Avoid disparaging dialogue with officials, players, coaches, parents & other spectators before, during, & after all events.
- Insist your daughter treat other players, coaches, officials, & fans with respect regardless of race, sex, creed, or ability.
- Volunteer within the athletic program and with the Crandall Athletic Booster Club
- Respect the property and equipment used at any sports or school facility
- 24 Hour Rule: Please do not confront a coach before or after a game or practice...meetings of this nature normally do not assist in creating a resolution to the situation.

Our players learn from our example as parents & coaches...we must always be mindful of our words and actions around these fine young athletes. Let's work together to develop PRIDE, character, and discipline in our Pirates!