

# CHANT Athletes Behavior Expectations

**Sportsmanship is:** Conduct and attitude considered as befitting participants in sports, especially fair play, courtesy, striving spirit, and grace in losing.

CHANT believes in good sportsmanship, honesty and fair play, knowing that without rules there would be no game.

CHANT expects that all players show respect to all coaches, all teammates, officials, and parents who have volunteered their time to help with CHANT activities.

CHANT believes that athletic ability is a gift which requires daily dedication and hard work. If a player is not executing certain drills or skills that a coach is expecting of them, the player will NOT be guaranteed playing time. CHANT is a competitive sports organization and we expect that our players will give their best effort at all times.

CHANT believes that anything which harms the body, the mind or the spirit lessens the player's ability to compete.

Coaches will not tolerate back talking, talking down to any of their teammates, or any type of poor attitude from any of its players. The coaches have the right to set a player out of a practice or a game due to disrespectful behavior.

Players should always have an attitude that if a coach asks them to do something, they will do their best to comply with the instructions. If there is a problem the player should go to the coach after practice and speak with that coach privately about that matter.

If a player violates any rules during practice or game time, the player will set out as a form of punishment. If there is a second offense, the player will not compete in the next game and will be asked to fill out a discipline sheet acknowledging their offense, with a parent signature. Excessive disrespectful behavior will NOT be tolerated and that player may be suspended temporary or permanently from the CHANT Organization.

Sportsmanship must be taught, modeled, expected, and reinforced on the court. The examples we provide can be contagious either good or bad.

**“Ability may get you to the top, but it takes character to keep you there.” – John Wooden**