

**SAN DIEGO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PHYSICAL EDUCATION / HEALTH / ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT**

**CODE OF ETHICAL CONDUCT**  
(California Code of Regulations, Title 5, §5596)

1. Show respect for players, officials, and other coaches.
2. Respect the integrity and judgment of game officials.
3. Establish and model fair play, sportsmanship, and proper conduct.
4. Establish player safety and welfare as the highest priority.
5. Provide proper supervision of students at all times.
6. Use discretion when providing constructive criticism and when reprimanding players.
7. Maintain consistency in requiring all players to adhere to the established rules and standards of the game to be played.
8. Properly instruct players in the safe use of equipment and facilities.
9. Avoid exerting undue influence on a pupil's decision to enroll in an athletic program at any public or private post-secondary educational institution.
10. Avoid exerting undue influence on pupils to take lighter academic course(s) in order to be eligible to participate in athletics.
11. Avoid suggesting, providing, or encouraging any athlete to use nonprescription drugs, anabolic steroids, energy drinks or any substance to increase physical development or performance that is not approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration, Surgeon General of the United States or American Medical Association.
12. Avoid recruitment of athletes from other schools.
13. Avoid any appearance of club or travel team influence in selecting team members.
14. Be proactive and follow the rules of behavior and the procedures for crowd and team control as established by the local board of education, CIF San Diego Section and the league in which the district participates.