



Code of Conduct

Participation in athletics is a privilege which carries with it varying degrees of honor, responsibility, and sacrifice. Since athletic competition on a school Lacrosse team is a privilege and not a right, those who choose to participate will be expected to follow the Code of Conduct established by FBL with all rules regarding behavior and/or training outlined in the FHSAA regulations applying.

While FBL has the responsibility in managing a program of excellence, each player, their families and coaches represent the standards of the community. In becoming a member of the Lacrosse community, an individual assumes certain obligations and responsibilities to the game of Lacrosse and its participants. The goal is to provide the best opportunities for student-athletes to excel in teamwork, sportsmanship, self-discipline, and moral character. The purpose is to provide each participant with experiences that will be positive and memorable and that help the athlete develop the capacity for commitment to a cause, acceptance of responsibility, and loyalty towards any chosen endeavor.

The following essentials of the Code of Conduct must be followed. Any alleged violation of the Code shall be reported and then is to be followed by an investigation by any or all of the following: coach, athletic director, principal or FBL.

- All Lacrosse athletes must comply with the standards of our Code of Conduct or be subject to disciplinary action or dismissal from the team as determined by the rules, coaching staff, athletic director or FBL.
- The conduct of participants in Lacrosse shall be such as not to reflect discredit upon FBL, their school and community.
- Every student athlete is required by FHSAA and FBL to have a physical examination, EL2, EL3 and EL3CH completed and on file with the athletic office before conditioning. Physical exams are the responsibility of the athlete and his/her parent(s) or guardian(s).

- Lacrosse, and should adhere to the rules in both the letter and spirit of the game. Attempts to manipulate rules in an effort to take unfair advantage of an opponent, or to teach deliberate unsportsmanlike conduct, is considered unacceptable conduct. Communication between coaches and sponsors of conflicting activities is a must. Attendance to conditioning/games is expected. All athletes will adhere to specific training and practice rules of their team as given to them by their coaching staff.
- Athletes should not create a disruptive influence, use profanity, tobacco, alcohol or drugs. Maximum effort and performance cannot be attained doing these things.
- No player will employ illegal tactics to gain an undeserved advantage. The skills of the game should always be placed above winning.
- All players will devote themselves to being a true sportman and positive influence and respect toward teammates, opponents, coaches, officials, parents and spectators.
- Grievances or misunderstandings between coaches, officials, or any other parties involved with the sport should be communicated through the proper channels and procedures, never on or about the field of play in view of spectators or participants.
- Coaches must always be aware of the tremendous influence they have on their players. They should strive to be positive role models by demonstrating positive behaviors and reinforce them to players, parents, officials and spectators. AD's and Coaches shall be responsible for all waivers and forms required by FHSAA, Brevard County School Board, their school and FBL.
- Coaches must be able to demonstrate a solid knowledge of the rules of Lacrosse, and should adhere to the rules in both the letter and spirit of the game. Attempts to manipulate rules in an effort to take unfair advantage of an opponent, or to teach deliberate unsportsmanlike conduct, is considered unacceptable conduct.

FBL, Inc. nor its officers shall not be responsible for any violations of the Code of Conduct of any player, coach, parent, volunteer or FBL Board Member. All participants in any FBL related activity hereby release FBL, Inc., it's Officers and assigns from any liability associated with their personal actions that violate this Code of Conduct.

School _____

Coach _____

Athletic Director _____

EL2 _____ **EL3** _____ **EL3CH** _____

STUDENT CERTIFICATION OF KNOWLEDGE AND RELEASE

I have read the FBL Code of Conduct and agree to abide by said rules and regulations of FBL and the FHSA. I understand the Code applies to me 365 days a year and acknowledge that I am subject to disciplinary measures should I violate the Code. I further understand and have been told that there is a risk of being injured that is inherent in all sports. I voluntarily accept any and all responsibility for my own safety and welfare while participating in Lacrosse, with full understanding of the risks involved.

Student-Athlete (printed) _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

USLacrosse Membership # _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN CERTIFICATION OF CONSENT AND RELEASE

(to be signed by at least one parent or legal guardian)

Parents are the first line of support for their student athlete. As a parent and/or guardian of the above student-athlete, I have read the FBL Code of Conduct and discussed it with my son/daughter and understand violation of the Code or specific rules of the coaches is subject to disciplinary measures. I understand travel may be necessary. I/we acknowledge that my son/daughter knows of the risks involved in Lacrosse participation, understands that serious injury, and even death, is possible in such participation, and chooses to accept any and all responsibility for his/her safety and welfare while participating. With the full understanding of the risks involved, I/we release and hold harmless FBL, Inc. or its' officers of any and all responsibility and liability for any injury or claim resulting from such participation, and agree to take no legal action against FBL, Inc. or its' officers because of an accident involving the participation of my son/daughter. I hereby give my consent for the above student to participate in Lacrosse and its' related activities.

Parent/Guardian (printed) _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____