

# Coaches Code of Conduct



## Conduct

1. The coach shall strive to acquire and implement the most current knowledge of the rules, strategies, and teaching methods of the sport.
2. The coach shall structure a safe environment for the participants during practices, games, and other team functions.
3. The coach shall work closely with parents
4. The coach shall have the welfare of the participants as the primary concern when making decisions that relate to the care of injuries, rehabilitation, and return to activity.
5. The coach shall promote effective communication with players, officials, fellow coaches, parents, commissioners, and the Bronco board, remembering that the concerns of parents are valid and will be addressed through the channels established by the Bronco Board.
6. The coach shall serve as a leader and model in the development of appropriate conduct for the participant both within and beyond the sport setting.
7. The coach shall use strategies in practice and competition that reflect a standard of fairness to all competitors and that are designed to encourage play within the letter and spirit of the rules.
8. The coach shall keep the concepts of winning and losing in proper perspective.
9. The coach shall enforce team policies with fairness, consistency, and an appreciation for individual differences.
10. The coach shall be knowledgeable of the Bronco, LCAJFL, and MHSAA policies pertaining to the sport and shall ensure that those rules, regulations, and policies are upheld.
11. The coach shall ensure a sports environment that is free of drugs, alcohol and tobacco and will refrain from their use at all Bronco events.

## Procedure

1. The chain of command is the Bronco board, the commissioner, the head coach, and the assistant coach. All concerns must flow through the chain of command. The only exception will be on game or event days when the commissioner shall be the final authority.
2. The coach shall implement all procedures and plans as directed by the board and the commissioners.
3. The coach shall acquire additional training and education as directed by the board and the commissioners.
4. The coach will be responsible for his team and team volunteers in assuring they will follow the Bronco Code of Conduct. He/she will assure that a violation is addressed and participant is disciplined. The coach will also have the authority to address any incident that arises with other participants, parents, asst. coaches, unit directors and other team volunteers with due diligence. If the situation is not under control immediately, the coach shall consult the Board of Directors for assistance.
5. When the coach is in doubt about a specific situation, rule, or procedure, the coach shall consult with the commissioner.
6. The coach shall ensure that their team participates in all league and Bronco sponsored functions, games, and events.
7. The coach shall carry out all duties assigned by the board and commissioners.
8. The coach shall document, on a form provided by the Board, that all players have met the six-plays-per-half requirement. The Coach shall sign and submit that form to the Commissioner at the first practice following each game.
9. The coach shall ensure that practice times set by the Board are strictly adhered to. Any and all deviation must have prior approval of the Board.
10. The Coach is expected to attend all practices and games.
11. Failure by the coach or assistant coach to follow these procedures or adhere to the conduct may result in dismissal.

I have read, understand and agree to the Lakeland Broncos Coaches Code of Conduct.

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Name

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Signature

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Date