

Glamorgan School

Sports Philosophy

Aim:

At Glamorgan School we take pride in an inclusive sports programme that provides positive coaching and playing experience for all children in a supportive learning environment.

Guidelines:

Glamorgan School expects students to:

- Play by the rules and to abide by officials decisions
- Participate fairly and display sportsmanship at all times by:
 - Respecting their own team members and opponents
 - Maintaining self control
 - Having a healthy attitude towards competition
- Respect and support their coaches, managers and umpires
- Demonstrate personal and team pride
- Show commitment to achieve success by:
 - Attending practices and/or training sessions
 - Turning up on time
 - Letting the coach know in advance if you are not available
 - Having all necessary equipment and their uniform
 - Participating for the whole season (unless under serious circumstances)
 - Strive to win by doing their best

Glamorgan School expects coaches, managers and supporters to:

- Treat children equally and fairly by:
 - Following rotational guidelines where provided
 - Giving an equal amount of coaching time
 - Giving an equitable amount of playing time
- Be reasonable in their demands on young players' time, energy and enthusiasm e.g. appropriate length and frequency of practice times.
- Make a personal commitment to keep themselves informed of sound coaching principles.
- Teach their players that rules of the game are mutual agreements which no one should evade or break
- Remember that children play for fun and enjoyment and that winning is not the only part of their motivation. Never ridicule or yell at children for making mistakes or losing a competition.
- Develop team respect for the ability of opponents as well as for the judgement of officials and opposing coaches.
- Do the best for the team they are given.

Glamorgan School will:

- Ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of the players.
- Provide a copy of the school sports philosophy to all coaches, managers and umpires of school sports teams.
- Provide a copy of the school sports philosophy to families of children participating in school sports teams (the philosophy will be copied onto the back of sports notices and permission slips).
- Have a copy of this sports philosophy at the school office and on the school website.
- Provide information and encouragement for coaches, managers and umpires to attend specific training/coaching sessions when available.