

Northland Boys Lacrosse



Coaches Code of Conduct

Honesty and Integrity are essential elements of our Code of Conduct.

Understanding that we are role models for our players, I will make every effort to reflect these values in all my endeavors with Northland Lacrosse.

I will familiarize ourselves with and abide by the [US Lacrosse Code of Conduct](#) which requires us to “Honor the Game” and demonstrate respect to players, coaches, officials, spectators, and fans. I will register as a coach with US Lacrosse.

I will familiarize myself with the Northland Lacrosse Vision Statement:

“The primary purpose of Northland Lacrosse is to *teach and grow the game of lacrosse* in a fun, safe, and positive environment. We are dedicated to skill development and healthy age-appropriate competition. We strive to teach the values of *sportsmanship, respect, teamwork, and fair play* through the game of lacrosse.

I will display a high level of *Sportsmanship*. I am expected to treat our players, officials, and opposing team with *Respect* and *Dignity*. Misconduct such as taunting or the use of foul and abusive language has no place in the game of lacrosse.

I will teach our players good sportsmanship and *Fair Play*. If one of our players is disrespectful, irresponsible, or overly aggressive, I will take the player out of the game at least long enough for him to calm down.

I will study and understand the National Federation of State High School Associates (NFHS) Boys Lacrosse Rules for boys lacrosse and the [US Lacrosse Youth Rules and Best Practices Guidebook](#) for the age level I am coaching. I will respectfully address the referees with grievances. At no time are our players to address the referees before, during, or after games with their own grievances.

I will make the *Safety and Welfare* of our players a top priority.

I will attempt to maximize the potential of every player on the team through *Positive Coaching Techniques and Leadership*. Understanding that all boys develop differently at different degrees, I will make every effort to incite a love for the game of lacrosse in all our players. I will play all players and ensure that

each player feels like they have made a positive contribution to the success of our teams.

I will teach the *Fundamentals of Lacrosse* and emphasize that winning is the result of good *Teamwork*. Fundamentals are a necessary base and proper form for executing lacrosse skills. They include proper individual skills and techniques as well as team concepts and formations. I will encourage our players to work together and share the responsibilities of play.

I will make every effort to give Northland Lacrosse the priority over travel teams during the Spring Season. This includes participation in travel lacrosse practices and tournaments.

I understand that I am a *Role Model* for our players and will make every effort to live up to their expectations.

Name of Coach

Signature

Date