



Bundaberg North State High School

DISTRICT SCHOOL SPORT COMPETITIONS

The following code of conduct highlights the level of expected behaviour of students, parents and spectators when participating in or attending **Bundaberg District Secondary School Sport (BDSSS)** or affiliated events. Please ensure that you have read and understand this code and associated consequences prior to participating in or attending BDSSS events.

Please be aware that ignorance of the contents of this Code will not be accepted as an excuse for any breach.

CODE OF BEHAVIOUR – STUDENT PARTICIPANTS

As a Bundaberg North team member:

- Take responsibility for your own behaviour and performance
- Compete by the competition conditions and rules.
- Never argue with the Judge's, Referee's or Umpire's decision.
- Control your temper – no criticism by word or gesture.
- Work equally hard for yourself and your team – your team's performance will benefit and so will your own.
- Be a good sport. Encourage and support your own team members.
- Show respect for yourself, your team mates, officials, your opponents and their skills.
- Behave in a manner that respects the rights of others.
- Smoking, drinking of alcoholic beverages, use of any illegal substances and substance abuse is strictly forbidden.
- Entering or remaining upon restricted licensed premises, unless under the supervision of team officials, is strictly forbidden.
- Stay in the designated team area and support other team members during times when you are not competing.
- Follow all directions of team management/officials.

CONSEQUENCES FOR BREACHES OF THIS CODE BY STUDENTS

Coaches may deal immediately with any breaches of this code by imposing appropriate consequences, including not playing remaining fixtures, notification of parents, and being sent home at your parents' cost. Bundaberg North State High School in conjunction with Bundaberg District Secondary School Sport (BDSSS) is responsible for imposing any longer term consequences to your future participation in BDSSS events. Breaches of this code may also be subject to consequences under Bundaberg North's [Student Code of Conduct](#) and you may be subject to discipline in accordance with the *Education (General Provisions) Act 2006* (EGPA).

Students will be afforded natural justice in respect of breaches of this code and for any discipline under the EGPA.

Parents' Code of Conduct

- Cooperate with the school to achieve the best outcomes for your child
- Support team and event officials in maintaining a safe and respectful learning environment for all students

- Maintain positive relationships with team officials regarding your child's learning, wellbeing and behaviour
- Encourage participation by your children.
- Provide a model of good sportsmanship for your child to copy.
- Be courteous and constructive in your communication with players, team officials, game officials and sport administrators.
- Encourage honest effort, skilled performance and team loyalty.
- Make any new parents feel welcome on all occasions.
- Do not interfere with the conduct of any events.
- Support School Sport Australia's policy of a smoke and alcohol free environment.

Spectators' Code of Conduct

- Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour at Bundaberg North SHS and BDSSS events.
- Remember children play for enjoyment; please don't let your behaviour detract from their enjoyment.
- Let game officials conduct events without interference.
- Support skilled performances and team play with generous applause.
- Demonstrate respect for opposing players and their supporters.
- Support our policy of a smoke and alcohol free environment

CONSEQUENCES FOR BREACHES OF THIS CODE BY PARENTS OR SPECTATORS

Team coaches or event organisers may deal immediately with any breaches of this code by warning offenders about their conduct, asking offenders to leave venues, and calling police to intervene where necessary. Bundaberg North State High School and Bundaberg District Secondary School Sport is responsible for imposing any longer-term consequences such as written warnings, or barring attendance at future events for a period or indefinitely.

Parents and spectators may be notified orally or in writing of a temporary ban from attending BDSSS fixtures until formal processes are conducted by BDSSS to determine complaints under this Code. Parents and spectators will be afforded natural justice in respect of breaches of this code.

Parents and spectators should note that it is an offence to insult (meaning "to treat insolently or with contemptuous rudeness, to abuse") an officer of a state educational institution in the presence or hearing of students – s.333(2)(b) Wilful Disturbance, of the *Education (General Provisions) Act 2006* (EGPA). Breaches of this section of the EGPA may result in a complaint being made to police.

I also agree:

- that during the period/s of the competitions in which my son/daughter participates, and during travel and other such activities as may be deemed necessary, my son/daughter shall be under the sole direction of the person/s duly appointed in charge of the team/s.
 - to pay the levy as set by the BDSSS Management Committee **prior to** departure.
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