# **DC CRU Sports Clubs Code of Conduct**

As members of DC CRU Sports Clubs, affiliated with HIS ARMY YOUTH SPORTS, we commit to upholding the highest standards of integrity, sportsmanship, and Christian principles in all aspects of our participation. Our code of conduct applies to all parents, coaches, athletes, and administrators involved in our programs.

### For Parents:

- 1. **Supportive Role:** Parents will actively support their children in their athletic endeavors, providing encouragement and guidance without undue pressure or criticism.
- 2. **Respect for Authority:** Parents will respect the authority and decisions of coaches and administrators, understanding that they have the best interests of the athletes at heart.
- 3. **Positive Environment:** Parents will contribute to a positive and respectful environment during practices, games, and other team activities, refraining from behavior that may incite conflict or negativity.
- 4. **Modeling Character:** Parents will model Christian values of honesty, integrity, and humility, both on and off the field, serving as examples for their children and others within the program.
- 5. **Communication:** Parents will maintain open and respectful communication with coaches and administrators, addressing concerns or questions through appropriate channels and in a timely manner.

## For Coaches:

- 1. **Player Development:** Coaches will prioritize the holistic development of their athletes, focusing not only on athletic skills but also on character, discipline, and teamwork.
- 2. **Fair Play:** Coaches will ensure that all athletes are given equal opportunities for growth and participation, regardless of skill level or background.
- 3. **Respect for Individuals:** Coaches will treat all athletes, parents, and fellow coaches with respect and dignity, valuing each individual as a unique creation of God.
- 4. **Positive Coaching:** Coaches will foster a positive and encouraging atmosphere, offering constructive feedback and praise to athletes while avoiding demeaning or derogatory language.
- 5. **Spiritual Leadership:** Coaches will integrate Christian principles into their coaching philosophy, emphasizing qualities such as love, forgiveness, and perseverance in both victory and defeat.

#### For Athletes:

- 1. **Sportsmanship:** Athletes will demonstrate good sportsmanship at all times, showing respect for opponents, officials, and teammates, win or lose.
- 2. **Commitment:** Athletes will commit to attending all practices, games, and team events to the best of their ability, recognizing the importance of dedication and teamwork.
- 3. **Self-Discipline:** Athletes will adhere to team rules and guidelines, maintaining self-discipline in their behavior both on and off the field.
- 4. **Effort and Attitude:** Athletes will give their best effort in every endeavor, approaching challenges with a positive attitude and a willingness to learn and improve.
- 5. **Character Development:** Athletes will strive to grow in their faith and character, allowing their participation in sports to serve as a platform for spiritual and personal growth.

#### For Administrators:

- 1. **Accountability:** Administrators will hold themselves accountable to the highest standards of integrity, transparency, and fairness in all organizational matters.
- 2. **Equity and Inclusion:** Administrators will promote equity and inclusion within the program, ensuring that all athletes have access to resources and opportunities regardless of race, gender, or socioeconomic status.
- 3. **Safety and Well-being:** Administrators will prioritize the safety and well-being of athletes, implementing policies and procedures to safeguard against injury, abuse, and misconduct.
- 4. **Communication and Transparency:** Administrators will maintain open lines of communication with parents, coaches, and athletes, providing clear and timely information regarding program policies, decisions, and initiatives.
- 5. **Stewardship:** Administrators will steward the resources entrusted to them with diligence and wisdom, using them to advance the mission and vision of HIS ARMY YOUTH SPORTS and DC CRU Sports Clubs for the glory of God.

By adhering to this code of conduct, we strive to honor God, serve others, and foster a community of excellence and integrity within DC CRU Sports Clubs.