

## Letter from Athletic Director

As parents, you have the right to be advised regarding any athletic information about your son and/or daughter. The following information should be clearly communicated to you by the coach of your child's team:

- ASD1 athletic rules, expectations, and discipline procedures
- Team rules, expectations, and discipline procedures
- Transportation expectations regarding pickups and drop-offs.
- Practice location and times.
- Game location and times.
- Procedures to be followed regarding injuries.

In return, communication that coaches expect from parents include the following:

- Concerns regarding your child and/or coaching should be expressed directly to the coach before going to the Athletic Director or principal.
- Conflicts that will cause your child to miss a mandatory event should be communicated at least 24 hours in advance when possible.

The coaches at Powdersville Middle understand that their role as coaches runs much deeper than just acquiring as many wins as possible; however, it is an objective of all athletic teams at Powdersville Middle to field the most competitive, high character team possible in an effort to win and maintain a successful athletic program at the middle school level.

Unfortunately, there will be team members who do not get as much playing time as others. I understand that this can be a difficult thing to accept. Please remember that coaches are professionals and their judgments are based on what they feel is best for the team. Regardless of the amount of playing time your child gets or does not get, he or she is a vitally important part of the team. Their mental and physical well-being will always be our coaches' first priority.

As a parent, if you would like to conference with your child's coach, please follow the following protocol:

- Call the school to set up an appointment. Do not confront a coach before or after a practice or game.
- If a resolution has not been reached after conferencing with the coach, please call the school and set up a meeting with the Athletic Director.

We want your child to succeed on and off the field. The values and practices that our coaches emphasize will hopefully stay with your child the remainder of their life as they develop a desire to practice excellence in all areas of life. Thank you for visiting our website and being a supporter of our Patriots! Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

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