

GAA INTRAMURALS AND SPORTSMANSHIP

The Glenn Arbour Academy vision for intramural sportsmanship is built on expectations. It calls on the school students to strive for sportsmanship by **pursuing victory with honour**. Winning is important, and trying to win is essential to sport. Intramural sports best achieves its positive impact on participants when everyone plays to win. Using the model of **pursuing victory with honour** for our intramural and athletics program, we do not de-emphasize winning but rather promote adherence to sportsmanship in the honourable pursuit of victory. We will promote competition and challenge the students to pursue victory with honour. Development of team and individual sportsmanship is of fundamental importance in all intramural and athletic activities. Good sportsmanship will be defined as those qualities of behaviour that best represent the **SIX PILLARS OF CHARACTER** model.

SIX PILLARS OF CHARACTER

TRUSTWORTHINESS

RESPECT

RESPONSIBILITY

FAIRNESS

CARING

CITIZENSHIP

Every student will be encouraged to participate in games using good sportsmanship. The ideals of good sportsmanship, ethical behaviour and integrity permeate our culture. The goal of our intramural program will be to promote friendly competition and **pursue victory with honour**.





IMPLEMENTING GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP IN OUR INTRAMURAL AND ATHLETIC PROGRAMS

EXPECTATIONS:

Each student athlete will be continually reminded to practice good sportsmanship and ethical behaviour. They will be asked to constantly remember the six pillars of character when participating on any intramural or school athletic team.

POINT SCORING SYSTEM FOR INTRAMURALS:

5 POINTS FOR A WIN

3 POINTS FOR A TIE

3 POINTS FOR OUTSTANDING SPORTSMANSHIP

2 POINTS FOR ACCEPTABLE SPORTSMANSHIP

-2 POINTS FOR A YELLOW CARD

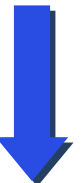
-3 POINTS FOR A RED CARD

OUTSTANDING SPORTSMANSHIP: Players cooperate fully with officials about rule interpretations and calls. Team members are respectful of opponents, officials and encourage each other's efforts.

ACCEPTABLE SPORTSMANSHIP: Team members are respectful of opponents, officials and fellow teammates, except for one or two minor incidents.

YELLOW CARD: A player is not following the ethics of good sportsmanship and is given a yellow card as a warning. This card can be given for yelling at teammates, officials and other players. It can also be given for rude and disrespectful behaviour before, during or after the game.

RED CARD: A player is repeatedly breaking the conduct of good sportsmanship, even after being warned. After being assessed a red card the player must immediately leave



the playing surface without being disrespectful. The player also chooses to forfeit the next game due to their unacceptable sportsmanship.

*As in soccer, if 2 yellow cards are given in back to back games the player will be given a red card and asked to sit out the following game.

** If 2 red cards are received, in the same sporting season, the player will have chosen to forfeit the rest of their season. The player will also have to have a written explanation as to why they should be re-instated in sporting activities at GAA.

REWARDING GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP:

As well as rewarding teams for good sportsmanship with our point scoring system we will also be recognizing those individuals who best exemplify the traits of pursuing victory with honour, with an individual sportsmanship award. At the conclusion of each intramural game a student from each team will be selected for a good sportsmanship award. This award will be handed out at that morning's school opening.

“WINNING IS FOR A DAY, SPORTSMANSHIP IS FOR A LIFETIME.”



Student Pledge of Sportsmanship

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I hereby pledge to pursue victory with honour in all activities and sports to uphold the expectations and values of Glenn Arbour Academy and the SSAF sports organization.

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Signatures