



Georgia Christian Athletic Association

Christian Winners Creed

*I believe that a true winner
always does his best,
never to the glory of self,
but always to the glory
of God.*

*With the Lord's¹ help
I will strive to be a true winner today.²*

¹Colossians 3:23

And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men.

²Philippians 4:13

I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

GCAA

This school is a member of the Georgia Christian Athletic Association (GCAA). The stated purpose of the GCAA is, in part, "to teach Christian ethics and build Christian character through Christ-centered athletic competition and to regulate interscholastic relationships..." Its goal is to encourage, and promote athletic programs with a purpose to foster a spirit of fair play, good Christian fellowship, true sportsmanship, and wholesome competition between Christian schools.

THE PURPOSE AND PHILOSOPHY FOR INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC COMPETITION

An interscholastic athletic program is a vital part of the student's overall education. Kept in the right perspective, athletics is a tool to train young people for Christ. Games won and lost will fade quickly in the test of passing time, but godly character and values will continue to produce results in the lives of individuals for years and generations to come.

WHY ARE SPORTS IN A CHRISTIAN SCHOOL IMPORTANT?

- To glorify God (I Corinthians 10:31)
- To build Christian character (Galatians 5:25-26)
- For bodily exercise (1 Timothy 4:8)
- To boost school spirit

The purpose of a Christian school's athletic program should be to develop the proper Christian character in athletes, coaches, fans, and the schools they play. The ultimate goal is to give all glory to our Lord Jesus Christ (Galatians 5:25-26).

The purpose of these guidelines is to assist parents, athletes, and fans in a Christ-like atmosphere at athletic contests.

CODE OF ETHICS FOR SPECTATORS

1. Do not make negative comments to officials or opponents.
2. Decisions of officials are to be abided by at all times.
3. Any spectator who continually evidences poor sportsmanship may be requested to leave.
4. The practice of "booing" is regarded as discourteous and unsportsmanlike.
5. Courtesy should be given to the cheerleaders of opposing teams.
6. Please be respectful when a player is injured.
7. The GCAA considers it unsportsmanlike to attempt to distract a player when shooting a free throw.
8. Do your part to help keep the buildings and grounds clean and free of litter. Throw all trash in proper containers.
9. Men should remove hats for prayer and the playing and/or singing of the National Anthem. Exhibit proper flag etiquette during the National Anthem.