

WCASD Parent-Coach Communication Guidelines

Communication You Should Expect From Your Child's Coach

- 1. Philosophy of the coach
- 2. Expectations the coach has for your child.
- 3. Locations and times of all practices and contests.
- 4. Team requirements, i.e. Booster fees, special equipment, off-season conditioning.
- 5. Procedure should your child be injured during participation.
- 6. Discipline that results in the denial of your child's participation.

Communication Coaches Expect From Parents

- 1. Concerns expressed directly to the coach.
- 2. Notification of any schedule conflicts well in advance.
- 3. Specific concerns in regard to a coach's philosophy and/or expectations.

Appropriate Concerns To Discuss With The Coaches

- 1. The treatment of your child, mentally and physically.
- 2. Ways to help your child improve.
- 3. Concerns about your child's behavior.

Issues Not Appropriate To Discuss With Coaches

- 1. Playing time
- 2. Team Strategy
- 3. Play Calling
- 4. Other student-athletes

If You Have A Concern To Discuss With A Coach, The Procedure Is:

- 1. Set-up an appointment with the coach
- 2. If the coach cannot be reached or does not return call please contact AD
- 3. Please do not attempt to confront a coach before or after a contest or practice. These can be emotional times for both the parent and the coach.



What can a parent do if the meeting with the coach did not provide a satisfactory resolution?

- 1. Call the athletic director to discuss the situation.
- 2. At this meeting the appropriate next step can be determined.