

## **SAA Student-Athlete Code of Conduct**

- I accept responsibility for my behavior on and off the field. I understand that what I do and say affects my teammates, my school, and other people either positively or negatively.
- I lead courageously and live with integrity by speaking up against injustice and on behalf of others when when it is hard or unpopular.
- I act with respect toward myself and the people and things around me, including my parents, my coaches, my teammates, my teachers, my opponents, and the spectators.
- I do not put people in boxes according to their race, sex, religion, neighborhood, sexual orientation, or abilities. I judge people by the content of their character.
- I act with empathy. I try to understand what is going on in the hearts and minds of others and what is causing those feeling so that I can be supportive and encouraging. I ask, "How can I help you?"
- I serve as a role model at all times by talking politely and acting courteously toward coaches, teammates, opponents, officials, and spectators. I understand that it is a privilege to represent my family, school, and community as a student-athlete
- I give 100 percent effort to practices, games, and events. I understand that this effort demonstrates my commitment to the team and my respect for my coaches and teammates.
- I display good sportsmanship. I acknowledge and applaud the efforts of others. I encourage my teammates with positive statements. I refrain from boasting to my teammates and "trashtalking" to members of other teams. I accept defeat graciously by congratulating my opponents on a game well played.

Because I represent my family, my school, my team, and my community, I abide by the policies, rules, and guidelines of the school, team, and coaches.

Athlete Signature:	Date: