

ATHLETIC PHILOSOPHY

Both the physical education department and athletic department of Calvin Christian High School operate from a Christian perspective of developing the whole person. Both departments are concerned not only with shaping students' bodies, but also with shaping minds, emotions, and behavior. They give students tools of knowledge, skills, and interests in worthwhile sports and activities. The distinguishing factor of a Christian physical activity program is that it considers the student as a whole, not as a conglomeration of muscles, skills, and postures.

The general goals are:

- Spiritual development
- Physical development
- Motor development
- Mental development
- Social development
- Emotional development
- Recreational development
- Aesthetic appreciation
- Sportsmanship development



ACHIEVING CHRISTIAN ATHLETIC GOALS

Each of the following plays a key role in achieving these goals.

- Christian coaching personnel
- Wholesome competition
- Variety of activities
- Student health
- Practice
- Games or meets
- Participation
- Financing
- Students
- Parents
- Positive communication

COMMUNICATION PARENTS SHOULD EXPECT FROM THEIR CHILD'S COACH

To achieve positive communication it will help to have some basic rules that participants, parents, and coaches should follow.

- Philosophy of the coach
- Expectations the coach has for your child
- Locations and times for all practices and contests
- Team requirements, i.e. fees, special equipment, off-season conditioning
- Procedures in case your child is injured during participation
- Discipline that results in the denial of your child's participation

COMMUNICATION A COACH EXPECTS FROM PARENTS

As your child becomes involved in the athletic program at Calvin Christian High School, he or she will experience some of the most rewarding moments of his or her life. There may also be times when things do not go the way you or your child wishes. At these times, discussion with the coach is encouraged.

- Concerns expressed directly to the coach. Adhere to the Matthew 18 principle. This states that parents/players should talk to coaches about problems before talking to the athletic director, principal or other parents. If the matter is not resolved through discussion with the coach, parents should go to the athletic director before talking to board members about coaches.
- Notification of any schedule conflicts well in advance
- Specific concerns about a coach's philosophy or expectations
- Personal insights a parent can share that will help the coach work with the athlete.
- Support for the rules of eligibility and training set up by the coach and school.



APPROPRIATE CONCERNS TO DISCUSS WITH A COACH

- Expectations for your son/daughter during practices and games
- Ways to help your child improve
- Concerns about your child
- Academic support

It is very difficult to accept your child's not playing as much as you may hope. Coaches are professionals. They make decisions based on what they believe to be the best for all students involved. As you have seen from the list above, certain things can be discussed with your child's coach. **Other things must be left to the discretion of the coach.**

ISSUES NOT APPROPRIATE TO DISCUSS WITH A COACH

- Playing time
- Team strategy
- Play calling
- Other student athletes



IF YOU HAVE A CONCERN TO DISCUSS WITH A COACH, THIS IS THE PROCEDURE YOU SHOULD FOLLOW

1. Set up an appointment with the coach. If the coach cannot be reached, the Athletic Director will set up a meeting for you. The Calvin Christian High School Athletic Department Office phone is 257-4219.
2. Please do not attempt to confront a coach before, during or immediately after a contest. These can be emotional times for both the parent and the coach. Meetings of this nature do not promote resolution.
3. Use the 24/48-hour rule. Wait to discuss a situation with the coach until 24 hours after the contest but not later than 48 hours.
4. If a meeting with the coach does not provide satisfactory resolution, you may call and set up an appointment with the Athletic Director. At this meeting the appropriate next step can be determined if the situation is still unresolved.
5. Practice Christian courtesy in all parent-coach interactions. *For the Christian, courtesy is a loving sensitivity, the graciousness of love-prompted servanthood, a consciously chosen form of humility. It is the death of self and the life of Christ in us. Christian courtesy is born of deep respect for the God-image that every human being carries.*

CALVIN CHRISTIAN COACHES DIRECTORY 2020-2021

	Boys		
	Baseball-JV	Carter DeHaan	826-2107
	Baseball-V	Brian Gritter	204-1515
	Basketball-F	Chad Jurgens	291-3342
	Basketball-JV	Matt Veltema	401-9024
	Basketball-V	Ryan Stevens	292-0721
	Bowling	Seth Brower	269-290-6927
	Cross Country	Laurens TenKate	538-2283
	Football-V	Dan Kapenga	610-0034
	Golf-JV	Ben Byker	773-0202
	Golf-V	Herm Medema	916-0317
	Ice Hockey	Joel Breazeale	302-0906
	Lacrosse	Bob DeWeerd	648-4855
	Soccer-JV	Joel Boender	826-7803
	Soccer-V	Karel Malefyt	450-1543
	Swim/Dive	Jeff Burgess	218-4832
	Tennis-V	Ben deWaal Malefyt	201-693-8147
	Tennis - JV	TBD	
	Track	Laurens TenKate	538-2283
	Basketball-V	Dan VanderWal	292-2616
	Basketball-JV	Kylie Wilson	916-2854
	Basketball-F	TBD	
	Bowling	Seth Brower	269-290-6927
	Cross Country	Laurens TenKate	538-2283
	Golf-V	Herm Medema	916-0317
	Golf - JV	Angie Johnson	481-1367
	Soccer-JV	Hannah Van't Hof	589-3346
	Soccer-V	Tim TerHaar	475-8532
	Softball-JV	TBD	
	Softball-V	Mike Gruppen	520-5179
	Swim/Dive	Josh Welles	490-2895
	Tennis-V	Larry Klein	538-1344
	Track	Lindsay Sicilia	452-8862
	Volleyball-V	Amanda Bremer	293-3043
	Volleyball-JV	Lori Smith	460-2725
	Volleyball-F	Nathan Smith	317-489-7824

Boys

Girls



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