PLAYER’S ROLE

• Play the game for fun
• Be gracious when you win and graceful when you lose
• Respect and abide by the rules of the game
• Put the team ahead of yourself in every situation
• Accept decisions made by those in authority
• Demonstrate respect to your opponents, coaches, and teammates
• Be accountable for your own actions
• Develop a teachable spirit that allows you to take correction as a compliment
• Accept and embrace the discipline involved in athletics, because it benefits the team
• Develop the feeling of pride, based upon “shared joy” of the team, and do not have pride that emanates from arrogance or a sense of entitlement
• Be an athlete of character

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