



# GUIDELINES FOR SPORTS TEAMS

## (INCLUDING INVOLVEMENT AT TOURNAMENTS AND OVERSEAS TRIPS)

### Introduction

In being part of a sports team and taking part in sporting activities, BC students are learning to: walk with God; be thinkers; manage themselves; be team players; serve others; communicate well; do their best.

### Planning

All sporting activities including attendance at camps, sports exchanges and tournaments require a considerable amount of planning by a large number of people. They provide the opportunity to be a highlight of the year. It therefore requires every person involved to do their best and play their part to make the experience as 'successful' as possible.

Teams will consist of students, coaches, manager, parents and other supporters. Every member has a part to play.

### Rules

- ❖ School rules continue to operate at all times. Every member of the team is a representative of Bethlehem College and all that the College stands for. It is a magnificent opportunity to show the community that BC stands for different values than most schools and that these can be clearly seen by the way the whole team conducts itself.
- ❖ You are guardians of the reputation of the College.
- ❖ Coaches / managers are given the authority by the College to act where necessary to discipline students for inappropriate behaviour or actions.

### Expectations within the team

- ❖ All members are as well prepared as possible.
- ❖ All members support and respect the decisions of the manager and coach. It is important the team operate as a 'team' both on and off the field.
- ❖ Good behaviour and attitude is important at all times.
- ❖ Support and encouragement should be given to all members. It is important that the requirements of the team must be placed above the requirements of individuals.
- ❖ Selecting / managing / coaching teams' means that some hard decisions have to be made and these may not be approved by everyone. However, these decisions must be supported.
- ❖ Respect and appreciation is shown to parents who have given up time to accompany the team and support them.
- ❖ Students are expected to continue with their academic studies to the best of their abilities and catch up on missed work.

### Expectations towards others

- ❖ All teams are respected. This is a great opportunity to mix with teams from throughout New Zealand and overseas.
  - ❖ All officials are respected at all sporting events, especially when critical decisions do not go the team's way.
  - ❖ Respect and co-operation is shown to members of the general public.
  - ❖ Helpfulness and co-operation is given by the team to those where the team is staying
- I have read and agreed to support all of the rules and expectations outlined above. I understand that my parents/caregivers will be contacted and I may be sent home at their expense if:
- ❖ My actions are considered unacceptable by staff;
  - ❖ I breach the school drugs and alcohol policy;
  - ❖ My actions put me or others in any danger.

Student \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Caregiver \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_