

## PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

The six core principles of sportsmanship are based upon the essential elements of character-building and ethics.

These six pillars include: *Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Good Citizenship.*

I therefore agree:

1. I will encourage my child to maintain the six pillars
2. I will encourage my child to participate in team sports and to give his/her best at all times regardless of outcomes.
3. I will transport my child or make arrangements for my child to and from all practices and games and in accordance with the rules set forth by GHS.
4. I will inform the coach of any physical, emotional, or social issue or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
5. I will emphasize the importance of regular attendance at trainings, practices and games as key to valuable skill development.
6. I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of my child and all the participating athletes ahead of any personal desire to win.
7. I will teach my child to adhere to the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
8. I recognize that the GHS Code of Conduct, GHS Student Handbook, and Cheer Parent Code of Conduct, Cheer Tryout packet, and Cheer Constitution contain all guidelines for the GHS Cheer program.
9. I will require that my child treats other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
10. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well being of any athlete.
11. I will follow the rules which forbid tobacco, alcohol and drug abuse at all Gladewater High Schools sporting events and will teach my child to do the same.
12. I will never verbally condemn my child or any other participant for mistakes or faults during practices, games, or sporting events.

13. I, along with my guests, will be a positive role model for all children. Together, we will encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or event. We will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting, refusing to shake hands, or using profane language or gestures. I will respect the officials and their authority during games.

14. I will support the activities, events, fundraising, etc. that help to maintain the integrity of the cheer program.

15. I will respect and adhere to the governing authority of Gladewater High School, the GHS Principal, and the GHS Cheer Coach.

16. I will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at games nor on the practice field. I will adhere to a 48-hour cool-down period before requesting a meeting with the coach.

17. I will choose to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place and with a purpose to peacefully resolve conflict.

18. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.

19. I will refrain from texting or posting any negative or derogatory remarks regarding any official, coach, cheerleader, player, team mate, parent, teacher, etc. in any text or any social media or internet website such as Face book, My Space, or Twitter, etc. and will teach the same to my child.

20. I also agree that if I fail to abide by the aforementioned rules and guidelines, I will be subject to disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to the following:

Verbal warning by an official, Gladewater High School District Official or Cheer Coach.

Written warning.

Suspension from all games, and events with written documentation of incident kept on file by the organizations involved.

Individual, game, week, or seasonal suspension of all practices, games, and events.

I agree to the Cheer Parent Contract and will abide by the guidelines therein in order for my child to remain a member of GHS Cheer.

Parent/Guardian

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Cheerleader's Name (PRINTED) \_\_\_\_\_