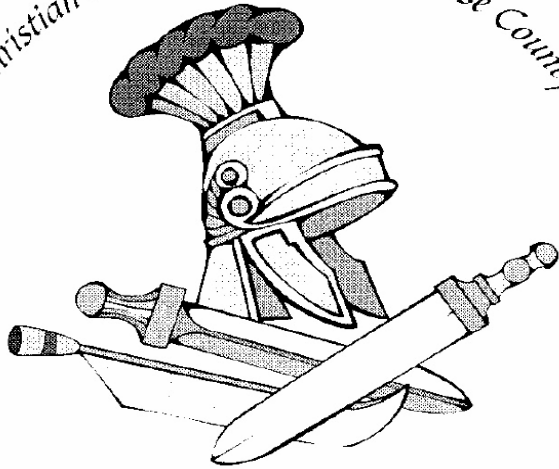


Christian Home Educators of Cochise County



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Gadsden Purchase Christian Sports League

CHECC participates in the Gadsden Purchase Christian Sports League; a high school league, with students ages eleven-and-up allowed to participate so that small schools have enough players to field a team.

The Gadsden Purchase Christian Sports League is a group of like-minded Christian schools and organizations in southern Arizona that enjoy fellowship with one another through sports activities. The organizations compete with each other in a fall volleyball season, a spring basketball season, an annual track and field event, and a late spring abbreviated soccer season.

GPCSL PURPOSE STATEMENT: The purpose of the Gadsden Purchase Christian Sports League shall be to provide members with interscholastic athletic competition in an atmosphere that fosters excellence in Christian character, fellowship, and sportsmanship.

CHECC SPORTS PROGRAM

The *purpose* of CHECC Sports is to create a safe environment for our students to participate in *competitive sports*. It is our hope that athletes will learn to work as a team, develop a habit of physical fitness, pursue excellence within the sport, improve their character, make friends, and in general -- have fun.

Because we participate in a competitive sports league our coaches will be putting their most experienced players on the court/field, playing the younger, less experienced players as much as possible. It is often difficult for the younger, less experienced players to sit the bench. As parents, please help them understand delayed gratification and that as their skills improve they may have more play time at the coach's discretion.

Although we are playing to win, when discipline/character issues arise, athletes will not be left in the game simply to help the team win. Shaping character is the higher priority. Character means to demonstrate a Christ-like attitude, be a team player, obedient to coaches, respect authority, punctual, and commitment to practices.

We pray that the season will be a FUN, positive experience for our athletes.

CHECC SPORTS CODE OF CONDUCT

The Christian Home Educators of Cochise County established the following standards for all CHECC Sports activities, practices and games.

Before any Sports activity with CHECC, I agree to instruct my children in the following behavior: Galatians 6:10b- "Let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith."

- ❖ I will come to each Sports activity, committed to play to the best of my ability.
- ❖ I will comply with the coaches' and leaders' guidance and direction.
- ❖ I will support my teammates in each Sports Activity and not be critical of any players, including myself, but rather encourage Christ like sportsmanship.
- ❖ I will come to each Sports activity with patience and kindness, upholding one another, being non-argumentative; all concerns will be directed to my coach.
- ❖ I will come to each Sports Activity demonstrating a positive attitude and showing respect to all coaches, players and spectators.
- ❖ I will remember that as I participate I am representing Jesus to the world, and that I need to maintain a Christ like attitude in both word and deed.

I agree to abide by the above Code of Conduct and the Sports policies and procedures. I will strive to set an example for Christ. As the Parents/Guardian of my children, we agree to immediately correct and enforce any behavior that is not consistent with the Code of Conduct and the Sports policies and procedures.

This document is signed by both the student-athlete and the parents and kept on file with the team coach.

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Sports Director

The Sports Director is the point-of-contact for ALL league interaction; secures practice and game facilities; coordinates all necessary activities & ensures proper communication with parents, the league, coaches, and CHECC. The Sports Director works to resolve any sports related concerns. The Sports Director is responsible for enforcing CHECC Policy and is accountable to the High School Coordinator and ultimately the CHECC Board.

Coaches

Coaches will be of the same sex as the team to be coached; men for the boys' team, women for the girls' team with the exception of a clinic or special event. Coaches must be at least 21 years of age. Must be current CHECC members and have children involved in CHECC unless approved by the board. Must be a known Christian of Biblical character as per written testimony on Coaching Application. Must agree with the CHECC Statement of Faith in all aspects. Must be actively worshipping in an evangelical body as indicated on the Coaching Application. Must not have any felonies.

Parents

Both parenting and coaching are extremely difficult vocations. As parents, when your children become involved in the CHECC Athletic Program, you have the right to understand what expectations are placed on your child. Clear communication is vital to this. Coaches make judgment decisions based on what they believe to be the best for all students involved. Parents are expected to support and encourage coaches. If there ever is a concern, the parent should approach the coach with a humble and Christ-like attitude. As a parent, allow yourself some cooling off time and do not approach the coach immediately before or after a game.

Players

Competition in athletics is a privilege and not a right. Accompanying this privilege is the responsibility to conform to standards established for the CHECC Athletic Program. This privilege may be revoked if the athlete refuses to comply with the rules. Athletes are expected to demonstrate proper respect for each other, coaches, opponents, opposing coaches, officials, and spectators. Student athletes are expected to exhibit the highest level of conduct, Christ-like character, respect and obedience to coaches, be a team player, punctual to all practices and games, and to accept seriously the responsibility and privilege of representing CHECC and their families.

Coaches will select Team Captains based on the following criteria: The players will consistently display a Christ-like character, leadership skills, be respectful of authority, be encouraging to team mates, be punctual and maintain consistent attendance, and must possess a knowledge of the game.

Dress Code/ Attire

Please strive to honor the Lord in what you wear. Respect your brothers and sister in Christ by not causing them to stumble by how you dress.

The following team standards for dress apply on and off the court and include all sports related functions.

- Under garments are not to be seen through or peeking out of outer garments
- Shorts should be long enough to be modest, we will use the 'fingertip test', and 'well fitting' so as not to need to be held-up during practice.
- Tops shall be long enough to hang over the top of shorts and not reveal the person underneath. No tank-tops for girls, sleeveless is OK.

Those in inappropriate clothing will not be allowed to practice.

REGISTRATION

Because the registration packet contains liability and medical waivers, *they must be completed and turned in on or before the first day of practice.* Fees must be turned in at the same time unless special arrangements have been made. If a uniform is purchased, monies are due at the time of the order.

Eligibility

Age:

Volleyball & Soccer- at least age 11, by Sept 1, & in 6th -12th
Basketball- at least age 12 (by Sept 1) and in 7th – 12th grade
Field Day- ALL ages K-12th

CHECC sports teams will be made up of NOT more than 2X's the number of players on the court at any one time. For volleyball this is 12, for basketball/soccer it is 10. The only exception will be when there are more than the specified number of high school students wanting to play. In this case the team may add two players to the above specified limit. High school players, and returning high school players will always have first priority on our teams.

Membership

Student Athletes must be homeschooled members of CHECC, Christian Home Educators of Cochise County, to participate on the CHECC sports teams.

Academics

Parents may be asked to certify the academic eligibility of their student-athlete during the course of the season. Academic standards are set by the student-athlete's parents.

Commitment

Players are expected to attend all practices and games. The head coach should always be called when the athlete cannot be at practice. Unexcused and excessive absences will have game time repercussions.

Tournament

The volleyball and basketball seasons end with a double elimination tournament. Placement in the tournament bracket is dictated by each team's record for the season. The tournament results are the final season standings. Tournaments are held in Sierra Vista, and Tucson.

Fundraiser

Each season we do one fundraiser. This season we will be doing a Service Project. Details will be announced. Each athlete is expected to participate.

Parent Driven

Since the CHECC sports program is *parent driven* it is important that we all help out as we can. The opportunities are numerous and varied; Please consider taking on one or more of these jobs; COACH, ASSISTANT COACH, SCOREKEEPER/BOOK, SCOREKEEPER/BOARD, TEAM MOM/SNACK-COORDINATOR, UNIFORM COORDINATOR, etc.

GYM POLICY

Closed Court

For safety and liability reasons, practices and games are closed court, meaning that non-players are not allowed on the court or field during practices and/or games. The CHECC Code of Conduct applies to any spectators at practices and games.

Snacks and Beverages

CHECC members will honor the water-only rule inside of the gym as per Huachuca City Schools' rules.

Every player will be responsible to provide a snack and a drink for each player on the team at one or more games during the year. Schedules will be handed out before the first game.

MATTERS OF CONCERN

Any matters of concern should be addressed directly to the team coach. When a matter cannot be resolved, the sports director is always available to meet with the coach, parents, and players to help resolve the issue. When dealing with a

student athlete issue, it is mandatory that two adults be present.

CHECC STATEMENT OF FAITH

For your records, we are including the CHECC statement of faith. Agreement with the statement of faith is part of the membership requirement for CHECC.

We believe the Bible is the inspired and infallible Word of God and constitutes His completed and final revelation to man. The Bible, in its original autograph, is without error in whole and in part, including theological concepts as well as geographical and historical details.

God has existed from all eternity in three persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Jesus Christ is God who came in human flesh being fully God and fully man, except without sin.

All men are in violation of God's righteous requirements and His holy character both by nature and act, and are therefore under His wrath and just condemnation.

The central purpose of the coming of Jesus Christ was to pay the penalty for man's sin through His substitutionary death on the cross, the successful accomplishment of which was attested to by His subsequent visible, bodily resurrection.

Salvation is offered as a gift, free to the sinner. This gift must be responded to in individual faith, not trusting in any personal works whatsoever, but in the sacrificial death of Jesus Christ alone.

We are here to help, encourage, and to provoke one another to love and good works.

CONTACTS 2009-10

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Pending

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