NYSPHSAA Code of Conduct
Regional & State Championships

Participation in NYSPHSAA Regional and Championship events is considered an honor and privilege; with this understanding, athletes and coaches are expected to adhere to standards of behavior and conduct. NYSPHSAA appreciates the work of Athletic Administrators to ensure teams, athletes and coaches are aware of NYSPHSAA standards and expectations when participating in post-season events.

**Code of Conduct for Athletes:**
1. Use of alcoholic beverages, tobacco products and other drugs (*unless prescribed by a physician*) will not be tolerated.
2. All curfews and bed checks will be adhered to as established by the Section supervisor or coach.
3. Athletes are responsible for their conduct in regard to public property such as: hotel rooms, transporting vehicles, fields and courts, locker rooms, etc. Athletes or the school they represent will be held financially responsible for any damage they incur.
4. Athletes must use transportation “authorized” by their section and school to and from the event.
5. There will be no gambling of any kind.

**Code of Conduct for Coaches/ Sectional Supervisors shall:**
1. Enforce Code of Conduct for athletes. Report problems to supervisors and send written reports to the Section and home school district.
2. Establish curfews and bed checks.
3. Be responsible for athletes from departure point of trip until trip is completed and ensure all athletes have transportation to their home district.
4. Make sure all emergency medical information is available for all student-athletes on site.
5. Notify proper authorities in the event an athlete is injured.
6. Abstain from the use of alcohol and controlled substances (*unless prescribed by a physician*).
7. Abstain from gambling of any kind.

All violations will be reported to the appropriate Section and/or School District Representative. Each Section reserves the right to have the individual(s) immediately removed from the event/venue and pursue any further disciplinary action as they deem necessary.

**Emergency Medical Release:**
NYSPHSAA member schools are responsible for ensuring coaches and/or Section supervisors have all necessary Emergency Medical Release information on site for all participating student-athletes.

**Consent for use of Photography/ Video:**
NYSPHSAA member schools are responsible for notifying the NYSPHSAA Executive Director (in writing at least 48 hours prior to a NYSPHSAA post-season event), if student-athletes do not consent to their photographs, videos or image being used in NYSPHSAA promotional materials (i.e. press releases, website, brochures, commercials, championship programs, etc.).

By signing below, the NYSPHSAA member school acknowledges understanding, knowledge and agreement with the information above.

Member School Name: ____________________________  Section: ______

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Athletic Director’s Name: ____________________________

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Athletic Director’s Signature: ____________________________  Date: ____________

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