## **Oakdale Parent/Fan Etiquette**

- A. Encouraging words to all our players. Our motto is "One voice," we want our athletes to listen to one voice, that of our Head Coach. We are our student's biggest encouragers not their coach.
- B. Encouraging words to opponents/refs. Sometimes we will play a team that tends to bend the rules and sometimes the ref. does not see it or make the right call. The coaches and Athletic Director will handle this. Excessive comments coming from the fans can result in Penalty shots/Technical, removal of the coach and/or unruly fan, and forfeiture of the game. We have worked hard to have a very good reputation for being encouraging....let's keep it that way.
- C. Encouraging words to your student. Let's do our best to let the coaches handle the constructive criticism at the games.
- D. Encouraging words to coaches. Remember our coaches are doing what they do for free because they believe in the mission of teaching Character, Truth and Wisdom through competition. There may be times when a parent does not agree with the coach. Please refrain from publicly addressing the situation that evening. We believe the best way to handle this is to follow these steps.
  - 1. Wait 24 hours
  - 2. Write an email and copy the Athletic Director, or Head of School, if the concern is about the Athletic Director.
  - 3. Be available to meet within a reasonable amount of time to discuss and resolve disagreement.
- E. Encouraging Responsibility. Please encourage your student to communicate directly to the coach about absences, late arrivals or early dismissals from practices or games. This encourages healthy responsibility.

Signed	date	parent
Signed	date	student

## **UPPER SCHOOL PLEDGE OF HONOR**

I pledge to do my best to honor my Lord, Jesus Christ, in my thoughts, words, and deeds.

I acknowledge that the pursuit of Truth and wisdom requires a commitment to high character, and I pledge to honor my family and friends, my school and community, and myself as a servant of Christ in all of my actions.

With God's help, I pledge to love the Lord with all my heart and soul and mind and to love my neighbor as myself.