The Next Step

What can a parent do if the meeting with the coach did not provide a satisfactory resolution?

- 1. Call 484-266-4339 and set-up an appointment with Devon Landgraff, Director of Athletics to discuss the situation.
- 2. At this meeting the appropriate next step can be determined.

We hope the information provided within this pamphlet will help your son or daughter have the best experience possible while involved in our athletic program.





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Parent / Coach Communication Guidelines



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Parent / Coach Relationship





Parenting and coaching are both jobs that can be very rewarding and challenging. By establishing an understanding of each position, we are able to provide our student-athletes with the best possible experience. As parents, when your son or daughter becomes involved in our program, you have the right to understand what expectations are placed on him or her. This begins with clear communication from our coaches.

<u>Communication You Should</u> <u>Expect From Our Coaches</u>

- 1. Philosophy of the coach
- 2. Expectations the coach has for your child
- 3. Locations and times of practices and contests.
- 4. Team requirements and rules
- 5. Procedure should your child be injured during participation

<u>Communication Our Coaches</u> Can Expect From Parents

- Notification of any schedule conflicts well in advance
- Specific concerns in regard to a coach's philosophy and/or expectations
- 3. Concerns should be expressed to the coach directly in an appropriate way

As your children become involved in the program at Rustin High School, they will experience some of the most rewarding moments of their lives. It is important to understand that there may also be times when things do not go the way you or your child want them to go. At these times, discussion between the parent and the coach may need to take place.

Appropriate Concerns To Discuss With Coaches

- 1. The treatment of your child
- 2. Ways to help your child improve
- 3. Concerns about your child's behavior

<u>Issues Not Appropriate To</u> <u>Discuss With The Coach</u>

- Playing time
- 2. Team Strategy
- 3. Play Calling
- Other student-athletes

There are situations that may require a conference between the parent and the coach. It is important that both parties involved have a clear understanding of the other's position. When conferences are necessary, the following procedure should be followed to help promote a resolution to the issue of concern.

If you have a concern to discuss with a coach, the procedure is:

- 1. Call 484-266-4339 to set-up an appointment or email the coach to set it up.
- Please do not attempt to confront a coach before or after a contest or practice. These can be emotional times for both the parent and the coach. Meetings of this nature do not promote resolution.

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