To: Elementary Athletic Team Coaches
From: PreK-6 Principal, Lorie Nussbaum

Dear Coach:

Thank you for your willingness to offer Gehlen Catholic students the opportunity to participate in sports activities through your efforts to organize and coach a team!

The Gehlen Catholic School Board, under the direction and in compliance with diocesan policy, has established requirements for elementary sports teams who wish to use the Gehlen Catholic School name, logo, mascot or coat of arms, or practice/perform in Gehlen Catholic facilities. The requirements govern all adults (coaches, parents, driver’s) working with students and must be completed prior to working with students. Information on how to access the information required is noted at the conclusion of this letter.

The requirements include the following:

- Compliance with the Safe Environment Program of the Diocese of Sioux City which entails:
  - Background check
  - Acknowledge of the Code of Ethics for Those Serving in the Diocese of Sioux City
  - Virtus Training (one time 3 hour training)
  - Monthly Bulletin reading/completion
- Safe Driver Training with Driver/Vehicle Check
- Compliance with the Gehlen Catholic Coaches’ Handbook
- Adherence to “No school activities on Sunday” policy
- Invitation to Spalding Catholic elementary students to participate

To access needed documents,
- Safe Environment Program: go to www.virtusonline.org and register and follow prompts
- Safe Driver Training (for anyone transporting children, other than their own, to school-sponsored event): go to http://www.scdiocese.org; click Catholic Mutual in drop down menu under Home
- Gehlen Catholic Coaches’ Handbook: contact Mr. Kirk Konaizl, HS Athletic Director

Questions may be directed to Mr. Konaizl at 712-546-4181 Ext. 224
kkonaizl@gehlencatholci.org or lnussbaum@gehlencatholic.org
Prospective Youth Coaches,

Please read the information provided by Mrs. Nussbaum. You will be responsible for the four items that are listed before you can coach a team. Once that is done you will need to sign up for gym space. Our Varsity, JV, and JH programs, along with Dance Team and Cheerleading will automatically be given priority for gym use. After that we will have a date set to start vying for the rest of the gym spots. (The cut-off date will not start until the 2019-2020 school year.) We will give higher priority to the older grades unless they respond after the certain date that is given. There is a calendar set up on the Gehlen website that shows the gym times that have all ready been spoken for. I will not push out a team that was organized and set up their time when they were supposed to just to give an older grade what they want.

Please remember practices are for an hour and a half and must be over by 9:00 pm. The balls and equipment that can be used from Gehlen are in the closet in the BACK GYM! All balls and equipment need to be put away before your team leaves the building. Please clean up after yourselves (clothes, water bottles, hats, gloves) before you leave the facilities. Failure to follow these rules will forfeit your chances to use Gehlen facilities for practices and games.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Kirk Kranzle
Athletic Director, Gehlen HS
SPONSORING OUT-OF-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES
Policy Adopted: 1-12-07
Reviewed:
Revised:

GEHLEN CATHOLIC SCHOOL
Gehlen Catholic School will sponsor or sanction only those out-of-school activities (i.e. traveling sports teams, academic teams, etc.) and the use of the Gehlen Catholic School name, logo, mascot or coat of arms if the sponsors/coaches meet and abide by all the applicable policies, procedures and requirements of Gehlen Catholic School and the Diocese of Sioux City including but not limited to the following:

1. Meet the Safe Environment Requirements of the Diocese of Sioux City;
2. Operate under the polices and procedures of the Gehlen Catholic Coaches Handbook;
3. Provide, prior to the season, a schedule; list of coaching staff, and transportation plan/drivers within the requirements of the Diocese of Sioux City;
4. Are pre-approved by the Athletic Director, Administrator, and School President.

Rationale:
INSTRUCTION

SUNDAY ACTIVITIES
Policy Adopted: 8-12-04
Reviewed: 4-13-18
Revised:

GEHLEN CATHOLIC SCHOOL
In an effort to keep holy the Sabbath and provide quality family time, Gehlen Catholic School shall sponsor no organized activities or practices on Sundays without the approval of the administration. CYO and Catholic Youth League activities are the exception.