

***Dr. Michael M. Krop Senior High School
Athletic Department***

Parent/Coach Communication

What can a parent do if there is a question or issue regarding a child's participation in a sport?

Parents should view the coach as an important element in the personal, social, and educational development of their child. When issues or questions arise regarding a student's participation or progress in a sport, the parent should personally contact the coach to discuss the problem and seek an appropriate resolution.

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

1. Call and set up an appointment with the Athletic Director to discuss the situation.
2. At this meeting the appropriate next step can be determined.

Since research indicates that a student involved in extra-curricular activities has a greater chance of success during adulthood, these programs have been established. Many of the character traits are exactly those that will promote a successful life after high school. We hope the information provided will make both your child's and your experience with the Dr. Michael Krop High School Athletic Program less stressful and more enjoyable.

Communication coaches expect from parents.

1. Concerns expressed directly to the coach.
2. Notification of any schedule conflicts well in advance.
3. Specific concern in regard to a coach's philosophy and/or expectations.

As your children become involved in the athletic programs at Dr. Michael Krop High School, they will experience some of the most rewarding moments of their lives. It is important to understand that there also may be times when things do not go the way you or your child wishes. At these times, discussion with the coach is encouraged.

Appropriate concerns to discuss with coaches.

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

It is very difficult to accept your child's not playing as much as you may hope. Coaches are professionals and make judgment decisions based on what they believe to be best for all students involved. As you have seen from the list above, certain things can be and should be discussed with your child's coach.

Issues not appropriate to discuss with coaches.

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

There are situations that may require a conference between the coach and the parent. These are to be encouraged. It is important that both parties involved have a clear understanding of the others position. When these 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, this is the procedure you should follow.

1. Call or email to set up an appointment with the appropriate coach.
2. The school telephone number is: 305-652-6808 or visit the school website @ <http://mkhs.dadeschools.net>
3. If the coach cannot be reached, call the Athletic Director, Ms. Lori Nelson at extension 318. She will help set up the meeting for you.
4. 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.

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programs for the students of
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