## **Viper Aquatics Swimmer Code of Conduct**

Viper Aquatics is a swimming organization that believes teamwork, integrity, respect, and good sportsmanship are more important than winning. By signing this Code of Conduct, I agree to the following rules for behavior and sportsmanship while I am a member of Viper Aquatics.

The undersigned athlete participating for Viper Aquatics agrees to abide by the guidelines outlined below in addition to those established by the staff.

- 1. All swimmers are expected to show respect at all times to team members, coaches, competitors, officials, parents and for all facilities and other property used during practices, competitions, and team activities.
- 2. All swimmers are expected to follow the directions of the coaching staff.
- 3. Dishonesty, theft, vandalism, or destructive behavior will not be tolerated.
- 4. Swimmers should arrive at the pool practice facility no earlier than 15 minutes prior to their workout time and should be picked up no later than 15 minutes after practice time is over.
- 5. Any swimmer 12 years old or under is to be walked into and out of the pool area before and after each practice by an adult. No swimmer should be dropped off at any time unless the parent knows a coach is present.
- 6. Swimmers are not allowed in any areas of the schools other than the workout facilities and the halls that lead to them. During workouts, swimmers are not permitted to leave the pool area without the coach's permission.
- 7. Swimmers are not allowed to use phones while in the locker rooms.
- 8. Swimmers must wear Viper competitive gear at swim meets (team suits and caps), and are required to wear team caps during practices. Team members are encouraged to proudly represent their team by wearing their team apparel to meets as well.

## **Sanctions:**

The coaches have the authority to impose the following penalties for violation of the Viper Aquatics Code of Conduct. The penalties include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1. The swimmer will be given a verbal warning.
- 2. The swimmer will be sent home with a written warning and the coach will contact the parent.
- 3. The swimmer will need to be accompanied by a parent at practice for four (4) consecutive days.
- 4. If the swimmer continues his/her bad behavior, he/she will be suspended for one (1) week. There will be NO prorated fees.
- 5. If the swimmer's disciplinary problem continues, the swimmer and parent will meet with the coach and board representative to discuss the problem further.
- 6. Any damage to school or team property may result in the financial liability of the swimmer's family.
- 7. Unacceptable behavior in the locker rooms will result in loss of locker room priviledges.

I agree that if I violate any of these rules, I will be subject to disciplinary action determined by the coaches and the board, which may include expulsion from the team.

have read and understand the Viper Aquatics Code of Conduct and have reviewed it with my parent(s) or guardian.		
Swimmer's Signature	 Date	
Parent's Signature	 Date	