

Grosse Pointe Gators Code of Conduct

Code of Conduct for Athletes

The following provisions pertain to practices, meets, camps, meetings, and clinics where athletes represent GPG, in or outside the State of Michigan.

Athletes shall exhibit good sportsmanship and treat the Coaching Staff, fellow athletes, parents, and officials with respect, in and out of the pool.

Athletes shall follow the "Behavioral Expectations" outlined in the attached document; attend practices, competitions, and team events; and abide by the curfews and instructions as deemed appropriate by coaches, officials, and administrators.

Athletes shall show respect for all property.

Athletes shall behave in a responsible manner, and are prohibited from possessing or using alcohol, tobacco, illegal drugs, or banned substances. Fireworks are forbidden as well.

At overnight meets, there will be no male athletes in female athlete's rooms and no female athletes in male athlete's rooms without a parent chaperone present.

Failure to comply with this code will result in any or all of these disciplinary actions.

An athlete may not be allowed to participate in any or all practices, meets, team activities, team events, or meetings.

An athlete may be sent home from the meet or practice. An athlete and/or his or her family will be responsible for any damage caused by the athlete.

An athlete may be suspended or removed from membership on the Grosse Pointe Gators Swim Club.

If an athlete is removed from the team, all fees that have been paid are non-refundable.

Behavioral Expectations: Grosse Pointe Gators

1. At all club functions, whether practice, meets, social gatherings, swimmers are expected to behave in such a way that is consistent with the club's mission, purpose, philosophy, and code of conduct.
2. Please arrive on time for all functions; for practices, please arrive on time but not more than five minutes before the designated starting time. Be ready to begin practice at the designated time.
3. Upon arrival, swimmers should dress and have their practice equipment ready; please sit quietly on deck or against the wall in the viewing area.
4. Swimmers should bring their own training equipment to meets and to practice. Please make sure these items are properly adjusted and that spares are available if they are needed (goggles, for example).
5. Please respect all school and pool facilities. Remember that we are guests in these buildings:

- a. In the school proper, swimmers should not be playing or loitering in the hallways. The custodians at Brownell have specifically asked that we stay away from the gymnastics equipment (blue mats) in the hallway.
- b. On deck, all posted safety rules are to be observed.
- c. After practices, swimmers should make a final sweep of the pool area and locker rooms to make sure all their belongings have been picked up, including any disposable water bottles, wrappers, and any other refuse that a coach or custodian would otherwise have to pick up. Please return borrowed equipment to the storage bin.
- d. Swimmers should conduct themselves responsibly and dress quickly in the locker room.
- e. Do not deface or damage the school, the pool, or any of its equipment.
6. Please do not bring food on deck or into the spectator areas. No horseplay involving food is ever appropriate in or around the pool.
7. Respect your fellow swimmers. Approach practice with a sense of purpose, but also to have fun. Encourage each other and always show good sportsmanship.
8. Respect your coaches. Listen and look at them when they are talking.
9. Follow coaches directions so that your behavior in or outside of the pool never interferes with the progress of another swimmer.
10. Inappropriate language directed at other swimmers, coaches, or yourself, is not allowed.
11. At team meets, it is recommended that swimmers wear team suits and caps.