

# Meadowbrook Christian School

## *Athletic Program*

### 2008-2009



#### CORE VALUES AND GOVERNING PRINCIPLES

**“Passing the baton to the next generation”**

**For physical training is of some value, but Godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both this life and the life to come. I Timothy 4:8**

The athletic program exists as support of the mission and purpose of Meadowbrook Christian School and not in and of itself. Therefore, its' core values and governing principles should support the goals of citizenship and striving for excellence in faith and learning.

**The values and principles outlined here are not meant to be for show on a piece of paper. Our desire is that our athletic program would be described by others using the words and ideals found here.**

## CORE VALUES

### **Integrity:**

To encourage **purity of intention**, to have a heart that desires to always do what is right, once a person knows what is right – Matthew 22:16

**Character Traits:** Authenticity in relationships, dedication to Christian principles lived out in our daily walk.

### **Unity:**

To work toward a combination or arrangement of parts into a **singleness of purpose**. – Colossians 3:23

**Character Traits:** Open communication (shared expectations), genuine concern for others (shared emotions), and common goals (shared purpose).

### **Discipline:**

To develop and demonstrate **training** that leads to proper behavior and **for moral improvement**. – I Corinthians 9:24-27

**Character Traits:** Hard work, punctuality, coachable spirit, and taking care of the “little things.”

# SUPER SEVEN PRINCIPLES

(Our athletic program should be an offering to the Lord and offer us life skills for our future)

1. **Be Fully Present:** Colossians 3:23
  - ☞ **Offering our full attention**
  - ☞ **Life Skill:** Learn to give full attention and benefit to the matter at hand.
  
2. **Be Coachable:** Hebrews 12:11
  - ☞ **Offering due respect to those in authority**
  - ☞ **Life Skill:** Excelling at any task requires criticism and evaluation, learn not to mistake such input as dislike or personal failure.
  
3. **Learn to be a Great Communicator:** Ephesians 4: 25
  - ☞ **Offering the truth in love**
  - ☞ **Life Skill:** Learn how to lead others through direction and encouragement, how to effectively hold one another accountable, and how to resolve conflict in a biblical manner.
  
4. **Make Hard Work Your Passion:** Proverbs 14:23
  - ☞ **Offering our all in effort**
  - ☞ **Life Skill:** Learn to make the most of every opportunity, giving the best you have leaving no regrets.
  
5. **Develop and Demonstrate Loyalty:** Romans 14:19
  - ☞ **Offering up our own agenda**
  - ☞ **Life Skill:** Loyalty leads to unity. Learn to work together without concern over who gets the credit. Point the spotlight to others.
  
6. **Make Winning an Attitude:** Philippians 4:13
  - ☞ **Offering our confidence in Christ**
  - ☞ **Life Skill:** Learn to develop a winning attitude through consistent winning effort and positive speech.
  
7. **Handle Success Like You Handle Failure:** Philippians 2:14-16
  - ☞ **Offering a consistent testimony**
  - ☞ **Life Skill:** One display of poor testimony can erase years of positive testimony.