Westfield Aquatics Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct

Westfield Aquatics is a swim club organized and operated by parents and guardians that believes teamwork, integrity, respect, and good sportsmanship are more important than winning. By electronically signing this Code of Conduct via the registration process, you agree to the following rules for behavior and sportsmanship as a member of Westfield Aquatics. The parent/guardian joining Westfield Aquatics agrees to abide by the guidelines outlined below in addition to those established by the staff.

- All parents/guardians are expected to show respect and demonstrate good sportsmanship at all times to coaches, competitors, officials, other parents, and for all facilities. Criticizing, name calling, use of abusive language or gestures directed toward the coaches, officials, or any swimmer will not be tolerated.
- 2. Parents/guardians are not permitted to coach or instruct the team or any swimmer at a practice or a meet.
- 3. Volunteer efforts are an integral part of the success of the team. Each family is required to volunteer at Westfield Aquatics fundraisers, including hosted meets, as detailed in the registration packet.
- 4. During competitions, questions or concerns of any kind are to be directed to a member of our coaching staff. Parents/guardians are not permitted to address officials or coaches of other teams directly.
- 5. I have read and will adhere to the Westfield Aquatics Safe Sport Policies. All policies can be found on the team website or a written copy may be requested by contacting a board member or coach.

- 6. I understand Westfield Aquatics may periodically have committee members or coaches present/discuss (age appropriately) Safe Sport practices and policies during practice time (group setting) and I agree that my swimmer may participate in those discussions.
- 7. If my swimmer is in the Age Group 1, Age Group 2 or Developmental groups, I will discuss the Westfield Aquatics Swimmer Code of Conduct and Safe Sport policies (as age appropriate) with my swimmer. If my swimmer is in Age Group Elite or the Senior group I will discuss these policies with my swimmer, but I also understand and agree that my swimmer may be presented with the policies by coaches, a board member(s) or a Safe Sport committee member and asked to sign a document agreeing to abide by the policies.
- 8. I understand that swimmers and coaches may only text/email with parental/guardian permission and a parent/guardian must be copied on all communication unless the parent/guardian's contact information is not available then another coach will be copied.
- 9. Swimmers should arrive at the pool practice facility no earlier than 10 minutes prior to their workout time and should be picked up no later than 5 minutes after practice time is over.
- 10. Any swimmer in Developmental or Age Group 2 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.
- 11. Swimmers are not allowed in any areas of the schools other than the workout facilities and the halls that lead to them.
- 12. By registering and committing to the Westfield Aquatics Swim Team, each family is financially obligated to pay the swimmer fees

for the full season as detailed in the registration packet. Westfield Aquatics does have an injury/illness policy which is detailed in the registration packet.

Sanctions: Should you conduct yourself in such a way that brings discredit or discord to the Westfield Aquatics Swim Team, the Westfield Aquatics Swim Team Board of Directors maintains the right to terminate any membership in the interest of our vision, mission, and objectives.

Your agreement is indicated electronically via the team registration.