



# **Greek Orthodox Archdiocesan District Olympics 2024**

**May 24 - 26, 2024**

**Suffolk County Community College, Brentwood NY**

## **CODE OF CONDUCT & CHAPERONE GUIDELINES**

As part of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocesan district Olympics Program, we make every effort to keep together our Greek Orthodox youth. We emphasize the values of our faith and Hellenic heritage as well as follow the Olympic ideals of peace, sportsmanship, and fellowship. Every athlete/participant of our program must be baptized in the Greek Orthodox Church and be an active member of their GOYA and JOY programs.

Each participant is a representative of their community and as such should conduct themselves in an appropriate manner. It is the responsibility of each advisor to assure the proper conduct of their athletes, both on and off the field. Any violation of the following will be subject to action by the discipline committee and may jeopardize future participation.

1. This Olympic program is solely for competition between individual communities and their respective GOYA or JOY members.
2. Drugs, smoking (including e-cigarettes), and alcoholic beverages (including beer) are strictly prohibited from campus premises. If found in possession, penalties will include immediate expulsion from the Olympic program and from future Olympics.
3. The playing of radios, including portables, are prohibited inside of the facility.
4. Deliberate and continuous cursing or arguing/fighting by athletes, coaches, parents or chaperones will not be tolerated. Penalties will include disqualification in athletic events and removal from campus premises.
5. If anyone is thrown out of a game for flagrant, or unsportsman-like conduct, they will be eliminated from the remainder of competition in that event.
6. Only coaches and advisors with the appropriate credentials are permitted on the sidelines.
7. Each community must sign-in all their athletes, chaperones and coaches at the specified times.
8. There must be at least one representative/advisor present at all times from each community.
9. It is mandatory that each community have a minimum of one chaperone for every six athletes. Failure to comply with this rule will result in your community not participating in any Olympic event.
10. It is required that every participant, coach, and youth advisor wear an identifying t-shirt of their community for the entirety of the weekend.
11. Athletes must wear their wrist bands at all times. Failure to comply will result in no participation.
12. Make sure all athletes only congregate at athletic events, i.e. not in bathrooms or corridors.
13. All athletes wishing to go off campus must be accompanied by a chaperone or parent.
14. We are kindly requesting that any athletes, advisors, chaperones, and coaches attending the Divine Liturgy on Sunday receive Holy Communion, providing that they have properly prepared themselves. Athletic clothing may be worn to church, but please, no shorts and no tank tops. "Sweats" and full t-shirts are preferred.