36 OBSERVATIONS ON GOOD TEAMMATES

- 1. Don't take people who look for "what's in it for me?"
- 2. Don't let your teammates down.
- 3. Your actions affect others.
- 4. You're having a bad game but the team is playing well. Going into the locker room after a win and seeing a long face. Be big enough and strong enough and committed to the team to get outside yourself. We win and lose as a team.
- 5. No person is more important than the team.
- 6. Positive body language and team first.
- 7. Must believe in each other.
- 8. Do you want equal minutes or do you want us to play who's playing the best?
- 9. We have 5 people to get us off to a great start, but we have 12 people who can make us a championship program.
- 10. As a leader, it's time to give.
- 11. You get your feelings hurt when you focus on yourself.
- 12. Trust the staff and respect the program.
- 13. Teamwork isn't natural.
- 14. Compete for the team and our school.
- 15. Together we are a powerful group.
- 16. In a team game it only takes one person to mess up the flow.
- 17. Get outside yourself.
- 18. Teamwork has to be tended to daily.
- 19. Why would you choose to be part of a team and not give a great effort? If you are going to play a team sport, you can never not give effort because you cheat yourself and your team.

- 20. If enough people on the team care, you'll find a way to be successful. Not because of talent but attitude. People with the right attitude won't be discouraged when adversity comes.
- 21. The team becomes better when someone steps forward instead of saying not me.
- 22. You want the team to be INCLUSIVE, not exclusive.
- 23. Both feet—head—heart committed to the team and program.
- 24. Loyalty to those who depend on you.
- 25. Players must understand roles and accept them to take on concept of team attitude.
- 26. Can't take substitution pattern personally.
- 27. We need each other badly.
- 28. You reach the highest levels with the closest teams.
- 29. Don't need incentives to keep them together.
- 30. If it is you or the program, that decision was made a long time ago.
- 31. You can build strength—quality and unity through teamwork.
- 32. You represent more than yourself.
- 33. We want completely unselfish players: What would the team be like if everyone had my attitude?
- 34. We want to spend time with unselfish people.
- 35. If you are totally committed to a team's interests you will be so good and it will be so much fun.
- 36. Be there for each other.