

Parent/Coach/League Official Code of Conduct

I agree:

1. I will not force my child to participate in sports.
2. I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
3. I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
4. I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league.
5. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for every child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials, and spectators at every game, practice, or other sporting event.
6. I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures.
7. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well being of the athletes.
8. I will teach my child, and/or players on my team, to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to violence or hostility
9. I will demand that my child, and/or players on my team, treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
10. I will teach my child, and/or players on my team, that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that every child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.
11. I will praise my child, and/or players on my team, for competing fairly and trying hard, and make all children feel like a winner every time.
12. I will never ridicule or yell at any child for making a mistake or losing a competition.
13. I will emphasize skill development and practices and how they benefit every child, over winning. I will also deemphasize games and competitions in the lower age groups.
14. I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for anyone to win.
15. I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.

16. I will demand a sports environment for every child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all sports events
17. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.

I also agree that if I fail to abide by the aforementioned rules and guidelines, I will be subject to disciplinary action