

YOUTH SPORTS CODE OF CONDUCT

Mission

The essential elements of character building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship, teamwork, respect, and good citizenship.

Guidelines to follow:

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 (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my 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 sporting event.
4. I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing, taunting, or using profane language or gestures.
5. I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
6. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning.
7. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake or losing a competition.
8. I will emphasize skill development and practices and how they benefit my child over winning.
9. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and I will refrain from their use at all sports events.
10. 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.
11. I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront officials at the sporting event, and will take time to speak with the official and director at an agreed upon time and place.
12. Do not complain about or argue with official's calls or decisions during or after an event. This is disrespectful to the official and will not be tolerated.

If anyone shall fail to follow the guideline, they may be asked to leave the sporting event by the director