

## **Parent Code of Conduct**

Youth sports play a crucial role in teaching children teamwork, discipline, and respect. As a parent, your support and behavior significantly impact your child's experience and development. This Code of Conduct outlines expectations to ensure a positive and respectful environment for all players, coaches, officials, and spectators.

### **1. Promote a Positive Environment**

- Encourage and support all players, not just your child.
- Foster a spirit of teamwork and good sportsmanship.
- Celebrate effort and improvement over winning at all costs.

### **2. Respect Coaches, Officials, and Volunteers**

- Acknowledge that coaches and officials dedicate time to develop players and enforce rules.
- Refrain from criticizing or confronting coaches and officials during or after games.
- Address concerns in a respectful manner at an appropriate time and setting.

### **3. Demonstrate Good Sportsmanship**

- Applaud both teams for their efforts and performances.
- Never engage in booing, taunting, or inappropriate language.
- Avoid instructing players from the sidelines; allow coaches to do their jobs.

### **4. Support Fair Play and Safety**

- Encourage adherence to the rules and fair competition.
- Ensure your child attends practices and games with the right attitude and equipment.
- Report any concerns about player safety to the coach or league officials.

### **5. Be a Role Model for Respect and Integrity**

- Treat all players, coaches, officials, and fellow parents with respect.
- Set an example of appropriate behavior for young athletes.
- Avoid the use of drugs, alcohol, or abusive language at youth sports events.

### **6. Address Concerns Appropriately**

- Follow the proper communication channels to discuss any issues.
- Wait 24 hours after a game before addressing concerns to allow for a more rational discussion.
- Engage in constructive conversations rather than confrontational arguments.

### **7. Consequences of Violating the Code of Conduct**

- Verbal or written warning from the league or coach.
- Temporary or permanent suspension from attending games and practices.
- Expulsion from the league for repeated or severe violations.

By adhering to this Parent Code of Conduct, you help create a respectful and enjoyable environment for young athletes to learn and grow. Thank you for your commitment to fostering a positive youth sports experience for all."

**Parent Acknowledgement:** I have read and understood the Parent Code of Conduct. I agree to abide by these guidelines and support a positive youth sports environment.

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Player: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Team: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_