

# Parents Code of Conduct

The essential elements of character-building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship. The highest potential of sport is achieved when competition reflects good citizenship.

As a parent, you agree to:

1. Remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for the youth and not the adults.
2. Inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of your child or others.
3. Learn the rules of the game.
4. Be a positive role model for your child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy for all players, coaches, officials, and spectators at every game.
5. Not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player or parent such as booing, taunting; refusing to shake hands or use of profane language or gestures.
6. Not encourage behavior or practices that will endanger the health and well-being of the athletes.
7. Teach your child to play the rules and resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
8. Teach your child to treat other players, coaches, and officials with respect.
9. Praise your child for competing fairly and trying hard no matter what the outcome of the game.
10. Never yell or ridicule your child or other participant for making a mistake or losing a competition.
11. Emphasize skill development, practices and how they benefit your child's development.
12. Promote the emotional and physical well-being and development of the students ahead of any personal desire you may have for your child to win.
13. Respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game. You will take the time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.
14. Thank you for your help in teaching our young players about true sportsmanship.