

SPORT PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

The following Parent Code of Conduct is the official code of conduct from the National Youth Sports Safety Foundation, Inc. The NT Recreational Sports programs enforce and strictly abide by this code of conduct. The code allows the participants in the program to play the given sport in a safe and healthy environment.

1. I will not force my child to participate in sports.
2. I will remember that this league is for children to participate in and to HAVE FUN. It is solely aimed at skill improvement and to help the participants develop a better understanding of the game. IT IS NOT BASED ON WINNING!!!!
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 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 other sporting events.
6. I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unlike sportsmanship like 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-beings of athletes.
8. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
9. I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
10. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.
11. I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner every time.
12. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participant for making a mistake or losing a competition.
13. I will emphasize skill development and practices and how they benefit my child over winning. I will also deemphasize games and competition 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 my child 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 my 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 their players during the games and practices, unless I am an official coach of the team.