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I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care, and encouragement for my child participating in youth sports by following this PAYS Parents' Code of Ethics:

I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, and officials at every game, practice, or other youth sports event.

I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my child ahead of a personal desire to win.

I will insist that my child play in a safe and healthy environment.

I will support coaches and officials working with my child, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.

I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.

I will remember that the game is for youth - not for adults.

I will do my very best to make youth sports fun for my child.

I will help my child enjoy the youth sports experience by doing whatever I can, such as being a respectful fan, assisting with coaching, or providing transportation.

I will ask my child to treat other players, coaches, fans, and officials with respect regardless of race, sex, creed, or ability.

I will treat each player as an individual; remember the large range of emotional and physical development for these age groups.

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I will always exhibit proper and ethical behavior while interacting with players, coaches, officials, leagues, staff and parents at all games. I understand that the use of foul or abusive language is strictly prohibited.

I will promise to review and practice the basic first aid principles needed to treat injuries of my players.

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I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all my players.

I will treat each player, opposing coach, official, staff and parent with respect and dignity.

I will remember that I am a youth sports coach and that the game is for children and not adults.

Acknowledgement Check Box

I acknowledge that I have read, understand, and accept the terms of this code and will do my best to fulfill the terms of this document. I understand that not upholding the terms of this code and agreement can result in removal from a coaching position or potentially banned from attending my child's activity.