

## Youth Sports Parent Code of Conduct

The City of Santa Fe Springs Youth Sports Program strives to provide a positive youth sport experience by encouraging parents, coaches, officials, and other league players to demonstrate good sportsmanship at practices and games. All parents and their guests are to conduct themselves in an orderly and positive fashion towards all players, coaches, officials and city staff.

1. I (and my guests) will be positive role models 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 any other related event.
2. I (and my guests) will not encourage any unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player or parent, such as booing and/or taunting, or using profane language or gestures.
3. I will ensure that my child's playing environment is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and I (and my guests) will refrain from their use at the sports event, including at or within the vicinity of the playing or practice fields and courts.
4. 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. If I find I am not satisfied after speaking with my coach, I understand I should then contact the League Director responsible for the program.
5. I will ensure my child treats other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, gender or ability.
6. I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child and in the desire to win. I will emphasize practices and skill development.
7. I will support my child and his/her team by ensuring he/she attends as many practices & games as possible. I will also ensure he/she arrives and is retrieved in a timely fashion.
8. I will inform the Parks and Recreation Services Division office and my coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child and/or the safety of others.
9. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts in a sportsmanlike manner. I understand that I am responsible for my child's behavior as defined in the Player Code of Conduct and will be present at practices/games. I will cooperate with my child's coach and city staff in providing a safe and positive environment for all players.
10. I will teach my child that doing one's best is most important, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or by his/her performance.

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### **Parents/spectators who do not abide by this Code of Conduct may:**

- Be provided a verbal or written warning.
- Be ejected from the field or facility.
- Be prohibited from attending future practices or games.