

City of Rockwall Coach's Code of Conduct

PURPOSE: The City of Rockwall is committed to providing a positive sports participation opportunity to every child that registers for one of our programs. We have established a Code of Conduct Policy outlining how coaches are expected to conduct themselves. As a coach I agree to the following terms:

1. I truly understand that youth sports are intended for the children and not for adults.
2. I will place the well-being of my players ahead of my personal desire to win.
3. I will provide a safe and fun environment for all of my players.
4. I will treat each player with respect and not use abusive language towards my players, parents, spectators and/or league officials. I will provide only encouragement and positive direction to players during games.
5. I will be knowledgeable of the rules of the sport that I coach and will teach those rules to all of my players.
6. I will communicate with the parents on my team and inform them of all team rules, practices and games.
7. I will demonstrate good sportsmanship and fair play towards my players and opponents. I will not use profanity, abusive language or threatening behavior towards any player, parent, coach or official.
8. I will respect all facilities and equipment made available for my team to practice and play games.
9. I acknowledge that I am **STRONGLY ENCOURAGED** to require any player who plays catcher (all leagues except T-Ball) to wear a protective cup or other equivalent protective equipment.
10. I agree that all youth sports coaches must have a criminal background check conducted on an annual basis, and it will be kept on file with my league officials.
11. I agree that on the baseball/softball field the umpire is in charge and I will respect the officials and judgement calls will be accepted no matter the outcome.
12. I agree that if I violate any of the above codes I may be disciplined and/or relieved of my duties by the league as a youth sports coach and/or league official.