



## Parent Code of Conduct

### **CODES OF CONDUCT**

The City of Warrensburg Recreation Department endeavors to promote programs, events and activities, within the Community Services Department, which foster, promote, and emphasize a positive, safe and rewarding environment for the youth of our community. In support of this initiative, the Recreation Department has adopted a policy on Codes of Conduct for all those attending, or participating in, City of Warrensburg Recreation programs or using their facilities. This policy sets minimum standards and expectations for the conduct of everyone. Everyone includes, but is not limited to, participants, coaches, all officials, administrators, spectators, attendees, parents, teachers, guardians, etc.

### **Policy on Codes of Conduct**

When using facilities for, or participating in, youth programs and activities, managed or allowed by the City of Warrensburg, everyone is responsible for:

- Conducting themselves in a proper and socially acceptable manner
- Exhibiting behavior that supports the health, safety and well-being of others
- Providing a tobacco, alcohol, and drug free environment
- Refraining from the use of profanity or offensive language and ethnic slurs
- Abiding by all laws, rules, regulations and ordinances whether city, state or local
- Abstaining from any type of conduct intended to humiliate or intimidate others

### **Expectations of Spectators**

Cheering in a positive fashion, for both sides, is highly encouraged. Cheer for a good effort as much as a good performance. Always behave in a responsible manner and exercise self discipline. Make only positive comments about children – yours or others. Always show respect for all involved in the game including coaches, players, opponents, opposing fans and officials. Our programs are recreational leagues with fun as the primary emphasis. All coaches are volunteers, and we should all appreciate their efforts and support them...thus setting a good example for the children. Our program is designed for all participants to learn a sport, and striving to win is OK, but a "Win at all costs" approach is unacceptable and bad behavior will NOT be tolerated.



### **Failure to Comply**

The implementation, distribution, monitoring and enforcement of the city's "Codes of Conduct" as outlined above is the responsibility of the Warrensburg Recreation Department, its officials and volunteer representatives. ANYONE who does not behave appropriately (as described above) will be asked to leave, according to the following steps:

1. An official/umpire, coach, or a Warrensburg Recreation Department representative will identify the violator(s) and make note of the situation. A verbal warning may be given as an attempt to correct the situation.
2. If the situation continues, the officials/umpires, coaches and/or a Warrensburg Recreation Department representatives will collaborate on the situation.
3. If the decision is made for the violator(s) to leave the premises, play will not resume until he/she has left the facility.
4. If he/she refuses to leave the premises, his/her team will forfeit and the game will be over.
5. Further action, up to and including suspension from attending program functions and games could occur for the violator(s).