



PALM BEACH COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
FAMILY CODE OF CONDUCT – YOUTH ATHLETICS
WEST BOYNTON RECREATION CENTER

In order to have a positive and fun program the West Boynton Recreation Center has adopted and implemented the following Family Code of Conduct.

Parents and Participants have the following expectations when participating in Youth Sports Programs at the West Boynton Recreation Center.

PARENT/FAMILY Code of Conduct – I pledge to provide positive support, care and encouragement for my child participating in youth sports by following the **Parents' Code of Conduct**:

- I will display and encourage good sportsmanship and positive support for all players, coaches, and officials at every game, practice, or other youth sports event.
- I will be a positive spectator and engage in positive cheering from the parent's sideline. Insulting comments, arguing and challenging the coaches will not be tolerated.
- I will place the emotional and physical wellbeing of my child ahead of my personal desire to win.
- I will insist that my child play in a safe and healthy environment.
- I will require that my child's coach be trained in the responsibilities of being a youth sports coach and that the coach upholds the Coaches' Code of Conduct.
- I understand that my child's coach is a volunteer and that they are taking time out of their schedule to give back to the community.
- I will support coaches and officials working with my child, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
- I will ensure that my child follows the rules and policies of the league for the safety of all players.
- 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 adults.
- I will do my best to make youth sports fun for my child.
- I will display and require my child to treat other players, coaches, spectators and officials with respect regardless of any differences

PARTICIPANTS' Code of Conduct- I pledge to provide a positive attitude and be responsible for my participation in youth sports by following this **Participants' Code of Conduct**:

- I will display and encourage good sportsmanship from fellow players, coaches, officials and parents at every game and practice.
- I will attend every practice and game that is reasonably possible and notify my coach if I cannot.
- I will expect to receive a fair and equal amount of playing time.
- I will do my very best to listen and learn from my coaches.
- I will treat my coaches with respect regardless of race; sex, creed or abilities and I will expect to be treated accordingly.
- I will participate in suitable and safe attire for sports activities, including proper footwear and clothing that is free from offensive language, symbols, or images.
- I understand that violence and abuse of any nature will not be tolerated



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- I deserve to have fun during my sports experience, and I will alert parents or coaches if it stops being FUN!
- I deserve to play in an alcohol, tobacco, and drug free environment and expect adults to respect that wish.
- I will remember that sports are an opportunity to learn and have fun.

I understand that if I fail to abide by the aforementioned code of conduct, I may be asked to meet with program staff to discuss how we may better work together to ensure a positive athletic experience for my child.

Corrective Action Policy

The following could occur when in violation of the above policies:

1. **Verbal Warning:** a verbal warning from park staff that will be documented and filed
2. **Written Warning:** written reprimand warning of possible suspension should a next offense occur
3. **Game Suspension:** verbal and written notification from staff of suspension for the next scheduled game
4. **Season Suspension/removal from program: formal letter that notifies of a season suspension or removal from program**

I have read and understand the Coaches Code of Conduct and the Corrective Action Policy. I hereby sign it voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance:

PRINT PARENTS/GUARDIANS NAME(S): _____/_____

PARENT(S) SIGNATURE: _____/_____

PRINT PARTICIPANTS NAME(S): _____/_____

PARTICIPANT(S) SIGNATURE: _____/_____

DATE: _____