Volunteer Coaches

Volunteer Expectations

- 1. The Volunteer Coach agrees to conduct him/herself in accordance with the Code for Coaches listed on the other side of this document.
- 2. Volunteer coaches are expected to report to the practice/game site a minimum of 10 minutes prior to the start of the practice/game, and remain until all participants have departed.
- 3. The volunteer coach has the responsibility to keep the Oswegoland Park District informed of any equipment that needs replacing or repairing, or if their first aid kit needs replenishing.
- 4. The Volunteer Coach agrees to notify the Park District in advance if he/she cannot fulfill the responsibilities of the season.
- 5. Programs and activities offered by the Park District are under the direct supervision of the program supervisor and other professional staff.
- 6. The Park District shall have the right to cancel or alter schedules due to abnormal weather, or other reasons deemed appropriate by the Park District.
- 7. The Park District will provide a team roster to the Volunteer Coach.
- 8. The Park District will coordinate facility use. The Volunteer Coach may schedule make-up practices or games only after coordinating with the Park District.
- 9. The Park District staff will visit and evaluate practices and games.
- 10. The Park District, with the cooperation of the Volunteer Coach, will make reasonable accommodations to allow individuals with disabilities to participate in District programs.









Code for Volunteer Coaches

Responsibilities as a coach are of great importance and have the potential to significantly influence the participants whom you coach.

Rights of Participants

- 1. The right to participate.
- 2. The right to participate at a level commensurate with each child's maturity and ability.
- 3. The right to have qualified leadership.
- 4. The right to play as a child and not as an adult.
- 5. The right of children to share in the leadership and decision-making of their participation.
- 6. The right to participate in safe and healthy environments.
- 7. The right to proper preparation for participation.
- 8. The right to an equal opportunity for success.
- 9. The right to be treated with dignity.
- 10. The right to have fun.

Code of Ethics For Coaches

- 1. I will treat each participant, opposing coach, official, parent, and staff with respect and dignity.
- 2. I will do my best to learn the program's fundamental skills, teaching and evaluation techniques, and strategies.
- 3. I will become thoroughly familiar with the program's rules.
- 4. I will become familiar with objectives and communicate them to my participants and their parents.
- 5. I will uphold the authority of officials who are assigned to the contests in which I coach, and I will assist them in every way to conduct fair and impartial competitive contests.
- 6. I will learn the strengths and weaknesses of my participants so that I might place them into situations where they have a maximum opportunity to achieve success.
- 7. I will conduct my practices and games so that all participants have an opportunity to improve their skill level through active participation.
- 8. I will communicate to my participants and their parents the rights and responsibilities of the individual in the group.
- 9. I will cooperate with the Oswegoland Park District in the enforcement of rules and regulations, and I will report any irregularities that violate sound recreational practices.
- 10. I will protect the health and safety of my participants insisting that all of the activities under my control are conducted for their overall wellbeing, rather than for the vicarious interest of adults.