

A code of conduct for your players:

I will:

1. Play according to the laws and spirit of the game. Be on time and be prepared for games and practices.
2. Display self-control in all situations and never use foul or abusive language before, during or after a game or practice.
3. Train and play to the best of my ability, have a positive attitude and encourage others to do the same.
4. Respect the opposition. Treat them as I would like them to treat me.
5. Respect the referee and never dispute their decisions. They are only human and make mistakes.
6. Wear the proper soccer equipment for games and practices. I will always wear shin guards.

A code of conduct for your players' parents:

I will:

1. Be my child's best fan and support them unconditionally. When I take my child home after a game or practice session, I will be supportive and focus on the positive aspects of their game.
2. Develop a responsibility in my child to pack their own gear, taking drinks bottle (full of water only) to practice or a game.
3. Not criticize my child's coach to my child or other parents. If I am not happy with the coach I will raise the issue with the coach.
4. Encourage my child to speak with the coach. If my child is having difficulties in practice or games, or can't attend practice, I will encourage them to speak directly to the coaches. (This "responsibility taking" is a big part of becoming a mature person. By handling off the field tasks, your child is claiming ownership of all aspects of the game).
5. Help my child to focus on the performance and not the result. I will remember that winning is not as important as the performance.
6. Support all the players in my child's team I will not criticize anyone and remember that children don't mean to make mistakes.
7. Not criticize the opponents or their parents or their officials.
8. Never audibly dispute a referee's decision. They will make mistakes occasionally. We all do.
9. Not coach from the touchline during games or practices. Leave this to the coach or you may cause confusion and erode your child's confidence.

PLEASE REMEMBER - the game is for the children. It is not for the glory of the coach or parents.