



SCHOOL SPORTS CODE OF CONDUCT

Sport at the elementary level is about building sport specific skills, teamwork and communication. Fair Play is a focus over competitive play. All athletes are learning and should be viewed as learners by spectators, coaches and fellow athletes.

Athlete:

Each athlete has a responsibility to demonstrate a high level of behaviour on the courts and off the courts; towards teammates, coaches and tournament officials. They are expected to listen to and respect coaches' rules and expectations. Common sense and good judgment should be followed at all times. At all times, athletes will treat opponents with the utmost respect, and display good sportsmanship.

Parents / Guardians / Spectators:

1. I will remember that children play sports for their enjoyment.
2. I will treat opponents and officials with due respect both in victory, and defeat, and encourage athletes to act accordingly.
3. I will honour officials/coaches' decisions during game time.
4. I will never use violence or aggressive language, nor will I harass players, coaches, officials, or other spectators. I will seek out tournament organizers or school administration to respectfully express my concerns if I disapprove with actions I see during game time.
5. I will remember that children learn best by example and will demonstrate good sportsmanship and applaud all good plays by both my child's team and their opponents.
6. I will have a positive attitude towards sports and will emphasize the cooperative nature of the sport.

*A game official has the right to remove any spectator from an event if that spectator's actions warrant removal.

*Parents/Guardians/Spectators: Failure to meet the expectations outlined above may result in dismissal from the facility for the season.

Coaches:

1. I will treat all players fairly.
2. I will direct comments or criticism at the performance rather than the athlete.
3. I will treat opponents and officials with due respect both in victory and defeat and encourage athletes to act accordingly.
4. I will actively encourage athletes to uphold the rules of their sport and the spirit of such rules.
5. I will be responsible for the behaviour of my players to ensure they treat all opponents, and officials, with the utmost respect.