

Mishawaka Parks Youth Athletics Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct

We, the Mishawaka Parks Youth Athletics Program have implemented the following Sport Code of Conduct for the important message it holds about the proper role of parents in supporting their child in sports.

*** Parents must read, understand, and sign this form prior to their children participating in our programs. ***

Any parent guilty of improper conduct at any game or practice will be asked to leave the sports facility and be suspended from the following game. Repeat violations will cause a multiple game suspension, or the season forfeiture of the privilege of attending all games. Disciplinary actions are at the Parks' staff's discretion.

I therefore agree:

1. I will remember that children participate to HAVE FUN and that the game is for youth, not adults.
2. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials, and spectators at every game, practice or other sporting event.
3. I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or spectator such as booing and taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures.
4. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.
5. I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like **WINNER EVERY TIME.**
6. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake or losing a competition.
7. I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place (not after a game or practice).
8. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official volunteer coaches of the team.
9. I will treat players, coaches, officials, and spectators with respect regardless of race, color, sex, or ability.
10. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and I will refrain from their use at all sports events.

Please cut along this line, sign and return with registration or to coach BEFORE PLAYER CAN PARTICIPATE.

I have read and understand the Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct for the Mishawaka Youth Athletics Program.

I understand and accept the consequences if the code is not followed.

Child's Name

Child's School and Sport

X

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Date