



Parents Code of Conduct

ASSOCIATION NAME: _____

HOCKEY SEASON: _____

PRINT PLAYER NAME _____ TEAM _____

1. I will not force my child to participate in hockey. I will try to make it FUN!
2. I will encourage my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflict without resorting to hostility or violence.
3. I will teach my child that doing one's best is as important as winning so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of the game. I will make my child feel like a winner every time by offering praise for competing fairly and hard.
4. I will never ridicule or yell at my child for making a mistake or losing a game.
5. I will remember that children learn by example. I will applaud good plays by both our team and our opponents. I will not be critical of, or embarrass any player, including opposition players.
6. I will never question the official's judgment or honesty in public. I recognize that officials are being developed in the same manner as players.
7. I will respect and show appreciation for the volunteers who give their time to hockey for my child.
8. I will never yell, taunt, threaten or inflict physical violence upon any player, coach, official or spectator at any youth hockey activity. I will refrain from the use of abusive or vulgar language, racial, ethnic or gender-related slurs at any time at the rink or any youth hockey function. I will support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from youth hockey games.
9. I will leave the coaching to the coaching staff. I will encourage my child to play in a manner consistent with the team's strategy or plans.
10. I will emphasize skill development and a serious approach to practices and explain how skill development will benefit my child.
11. I will attempt to learn about the game of hockey (USA Hockey rules, equipment, levels, skills, etc.) so that I may best support my child's development in the game.
12. I will not throw objects of any kind on the ice, or lean over and pound on the glass.
13. I will communicate all and any concerns regarding inappropriate behavior to the Team Manager, Coach, ACE (Association Coaching Education) Director or association rep.
14. I will insist that my child plays in a safe and healthy environment. I will support a sports environment that is free of alcohol, drugs or tobacco and I will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
15. I understand the benefits from participating in a team sport, the commitment, the discipline and the social skills learned and acquired.
16. I will remember that my child plays hockey for his or her enjoyment, not mine.

I have read and understand the above Code of Conduct, and agree to abide by its guidelines at all team and association activities. I understand that if I do not follow this Code of Conduct, I may be asked to leave the team activity or I may be asked to withdraw my child from the association.

PARENT SIGNATURES:

PARENT _____ PARENT _____

DATE: _____