



# PARENT & PLAYER PLEDGE

## PARENT PLEDGE

- I will remember that children participate to have fun, and that the game is for and about kids, not adults.
- I will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy to players, coaches, and spectators.
- I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- I will respect the officials and their authority and will not confront them at the game.
- I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- I will not engage in unsportsmanlike conduct such as booing, taunting, cursing, threats, or physical assaults.
- I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games or practices.
- I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning.

*I understand and accept the league policy that if I violate the pledge I may be asked to leave the game. I also understand that continued violations of the pledge may result in my being banned from further attendance at games for the remainder of the season.*

Please check the box next to each item of the pledge and sign your name below.

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Date

## PLAYER PLEDGE

- I abide by the rules of the game.
- I try to avoid arguments.
- I share in the responsibilities of the team.
- I give everyone a chance to play according to the rules.
- I always play fair.
- I follow the directions of the coach.
- I respect the other team's effort.
- I offer encouragement to my teammates.
- I accept the judgment calls of the game officials.
- I end the game smoothly.

### **Sportsmanship: The ability**

- 1) *To win without gloating.*
- 2) *To lose without complaining.*
- 3) *To treat your opponent with respect.*

### **Sportsmanship Tips:**

- If you make a mistake, don't pout or make excuses. Learn from it, and be ready to continue play.
- If a teammate makes a mistake, offer encouragement, not criticism.
- If you win, don't rub it in.
- If you lose, don't make excuses.

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