

# **The Orland Park Pioneer Football Boosters Association COACHES' CODE OF CONDUCT**

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**The Orland Park Pioneer Football Boosters Association (OPPFBA) expects Coaches to represent the best in football and leadership. Coaches' conduct is always under scrutiny. Standards are essential for a program of this nature, by all volunteers, participants and parents. As coaches, the following code of conduct will be enforced at all practices, games and activities held by the OPPFBA, at home and away. You must, at all times, be a role model for the players. Your actions affect the players, parents and fans. In line with this, the OPPFBA requires the following standard of conduct from all of its' coaches.**

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- 1. Coaches will place the emotional and physical well being of the players ahead of the coach's personal desire to win.**
- 2. Coaches will do their best to provide a safe playing situation for the players.**
- 3. Coaches must always be fair, firm and consistent.**
- 4. Coaches will reinforce the importance of scholastic as well as athletic achievements.**
- 5. Coaches will promote good character and lead by example.**
- 6. Coaches will follow the rules of the sport, Illinois High School Football Association and the OPPFBA and teach the basic fundamentals of football at a level and pace that incurs the best possible environment for learning.**
- 7. Coaches will not argue or use profane language with parents, coaches, athletes and/or officials, and will always demonstrate good Sportsmanship.**
- 8. Any aggressive contact by coaches to athletes, other coaches, parents or officials will result in immediate dismissal.**

- 9. Coaches will treat each player as an individual remembering the large range of emotional and physical development for the same age group.**
- 10. Coaches will do their best to organize practices that are fun and challenging for all players.**
- 11. Coaches will be knowledgeable in the rules of youth football, and will teach these rules to the players.**
- 12. Coaches will stress teamwork and respect each and every athlete.**
- 13. Coaches will allow each athlete the opportunity to compete and excel.**
- 14. Coaches will not run-up the score on a weaker opponent.**
- 15. Coaches will not scold a player at anytime. The coach will not scold or criticize game officials and will accept their decisions as fair.**
- 16. Coaches will not use ineligible players and will bring to the attention of the Athletic Director, any information that affects the eligibility of players.**
- 17. Coaches will abstain from the usage of tobacco, alcohol or any illegal substance on both the game and practice fields.**
- 18. Coaches will remember that I am a youth football coach and that the game is for the children and not the adults.**

**Policy Enforcement**

- 1. Individuals will be given one warning for inappropriate activity.**
- 2. Individuals that continue behavior violating the Coaches' Code of Conduct will be removed from coaching.**
- 3. Other sanctions as deemed necessary by the President or Board may be enforced, including permanent ban.**
- 4. All decisions are final. There will not be a hearing or an appeal.**

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