

# Packer Code of Conduct

The goal of Moorpark Packers Football is to provide a safe, enjoyable and rewarding experience for its players, coaches, officials, families and guests. In order to accomplish this goal, the Moorpark Packers have adopted a ZERO Tolerance policy with respect to misconduct at Moorpark Packers functions.

Prohibited conduct includes, but is not limited to:

1. Making derogatory comments about calls by the referees, or making defaming statements to the referees themselves.
2. Making derogatory comments about any coaches ability to coach, or the decisions they make concerning the players on their teams.
3. Making derogatory comments to any player, on the field or off, for any reason.
4. Making any negative remark made from one spectator to another.
5. Engaging in any of the above actions will result in removal from the game you are attending and a suspension from the next game. You will also be asked to leave the field, which includes getting into your vehicle and leaving the premises completely. Any subsequent infraction will result in a two game suspension. If the abusive behavior occurs a third time, the person may be permanently removed from the league, pending review by the Board of Directors.

Any person verbally or physically threatening another person at a Moorpark Packers event will be immediately asked to leave, and will be suspended for two games. Any subsequent occurrence of the same offense will result in a one year suspension from attendance at or participation in any league events. Any occurrence after this will result in a permanent removal from Moorpark Packers events.

Any person committing an assault (including but not limited to hitting, kicking, pushing and shoving) which results in bodily injury will be permanently banned from Moorpark Packers events. In the event of any assault, the police will be called and charges may be filed. Any person engaging in an assault which does not result in bodily injury will be brought before the Board of Directors, where a decision about that person's future in the league will be determined.

These rules apply to any person attending a Moorpark Packers event. If you bring friends and relatives to league events, please inform them of league policy concerning acceptable behavior at league events before you arrive at the fields. Football is an intense and exciting sport. Observing these rules will allow all of the fans and participants to enjoy Moorpark Packers Football in the safe, family atmosphere for which our community is famous.

*-Moorpark Packers Board of Directors.*

## **Packer Coaches Code of Ethics**

- I hereby pledge to live up to my certification as a NYSCA Coach by following the NYSCA Coaches Code of Ethics:
- I will place the emotional and physical well being of my players ahead of a personal desire to win.
- I will treat each player as an individual, remembering the large range of emotional and physical development for the same age group.
- I will do my best to provide a safe playing situation for my players.
- I will promise to review and practice basic first aid principles needed to treat injuries of my players.
- I will do my best to organize practices that are fun and challenging for all my players.
- I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all my players.
- I will provide a sports environment for my team that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and I will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- I will be knowledgeable in the rules of each sport that I coach, and I will teach these rules to my players.
- I will use those coaching techniques appropriate for all of the skills that I teach.
- I will remember that I am a youth sports coach, and that the game is for children and not adults.

## **Packer Parent Code of Conduct**

The essential elements of character-building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core principles:

1. Trustworthiness
2. Respect
3. Responsibility

4. Fairness
5. Caring
6. Good Citizenship

The highest potential of sports is achieved when competition reflects these "six pillars of character."

I, the packer sports parent, therefore agree:

- I will not force my child to participate in sports.
- I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
- I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
- I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league.
- 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.
- I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures.
- I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and wellbeing of the athletes.
- I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
- 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.
- I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner every time.
- I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participant for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- I will emphasize skill development and practices and how they benefit my child over winning. I will also deemphasize games and competition in the lower age groups.
- I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
- I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.
- 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.

- I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.

## Packer Player Code of Conduct

- I will conduct fair play at all times.
- I will shake hands with officials and opponents after the game (whatever the result).
- I will not become involved in disputes with officials, opponents or spectators.
- I will not use foul or abusive language towards officials, opponents or supporters.
- I will let the official handle incidents in the game.
- I will not retaliate against opponents.
- I will treat the fields and facilities of all clubs visited with respect
- I recognize that teamwork, effort and enjoyment are as important as winning.  
(Learn to win and loose with dignity)
- I will always remember that I am representing myself, the team, the Packers and the community and will act accordingly
- I will remember to have fun