

**NOTICE**

As a coach you sign the Coaches' Code of Ethics Pledge, but parents also should be held to a standard of behavior that provides a positive environment for their child's sports experience. You are encouraged to duplicate this Pledge and have the parents of your players read and sign the Parents' Code of Ethics Pledge.



## Parents' Code of Ethics

**I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care, and encouragement for my child participating in youth sports by following this Parents' Code of Ethics Pledge.**

I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, and officials at every game, practice, or other youth sports event.

I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my child ahead of a personal desire to win.

I will insist that my child play in a safe and healthy environment.

I will support coaches and officials working with my child, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.

I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.

I will remember that the game is for youth--not for adults.

I will do my very best to make youth sports fun for my child.

I will ask my child to treat other players, coaches, fans, and officials with respect regardless of race, sex, creed, or ability.

I promise to help my child enjoy the youth sports experience by doing whatever I can, such as being a respectful fan, assisting with coaching, or providing transportation.

I will require that my child's coach be trained in the responsibilities of being a youth sports coach and that the coach upholds the Coaches' Code of Ethics.

I will read the NYSCA National Standards For Youth Sports and do what I can to help all youth sports organizations implement and enforce them.

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**Parent Signature**

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**Date**