

## **Player Code of Conduct**

1. I will represent the Madison Lacrosse club and my town well, and will respect the game, my coaches, the fans, and the officials.
2. I will play fairly and follow the rules and regulations of the game.
3. I will demonstrate good sportsmanship at all times.
4. I will help parents and fans understand the game and the club so that they can enjoy the game more fully.
5. I will be modest when I'm successful and gracious when defeated.
6. I will respect the facilities where we play and I will pick up after myself and others.
7. I will work to build my physical capabilities and endurance both at practice and at home.
8. I will complete my schoolwork, on time and to the best of my ability.
9. I will commit to lacrosse and make practices a priority.
10. I will arrive for practices and games, dressed in the necessary equipment at the scheduled time and will be responsible for my own water.
11. I will notify the team managers if I am unable to practice or attend a game.
12. I will support everyone on my team and I will lead by example.

# Parent Code of Conduct

**As a parent member of Madison Girls Lacrosse, I will:**

## **Teach my child responsibility:**

- I will be sure my child makes every effort to attend practices and games, on time.
- I will be sure my child is picked up from practices and games at their conclusion.
- If my child cannot attend a practice or a game, I will make sure that the manager is notified. I understand that unexcused absences from practices and games show a lack of commitment and responsibility and will be dealt with accordingly.
- I will encourage my child to take the time to practice on his own to build his lacrosse skills.

## **Teach my child to respect other people:**

- I will not use foul language, ridicule or criticize the referee, coaches or other players, by yelling from the sidelines, or by making dramatic arm movements.
- I will tell my child that the official is human and sometimes makes mistakes while controlling the game, but that the referee does not "make or break" the outcome of the game.
- I will allow the coach to coach the game without interference or suggestions from me.
- I will not argue with fans from opposing teams.
- I will not shout instructions to players from the sidelines and will let the coach do the coaching from the appropriate side of the field.
- I will not criticize the coach's game decisions afterwards in discussions of the game with my child.

## **Teach my child that good sportsmanship is essential to the game of lacrosse:**

- I will applaud a good effort in victory and defeat.
- I will applaud good play by the opposing team and players.
- I will discipline my child for use of foul or inappropriate language, or for engaging in unsportsmanlike conduct.
- I will learn the Player's Code of Conduct and take advantage of every opportunity to reinforce this code with my child.

I understand the conduct expected of me as a parent of a Madison Girls Lacrosse player. My failure to conduct myself in accordance with this Parents' Code of Conduct may result in the removal of my child from his team.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## **Parent / Team Manager Communication**

### **Appropriate Matters to Discuss with Manager**

1. The treatment of your child mentally and physically.
2. Ways to help your child improve their skills.
3. Concerns about your child's behavior / game conduct.

### **Issues Not Appropriate to Discuss with our Team Managers and Coaches**

1. Playing Time
2. Team Strategy
3. Play Calling
4. Another Athlete

There are situations that warrant a conversation between the team manager , coach and parent. It is important that both parties have a clear understanding of the other's position. Parents must:

- Wait 24 hours before communicating with a manager
- Do not confront a coach or manager before or after a contest or practice. Meetings of this nature do not promote resolution.