



PARENT/SPECTATOR & PLAYER CODES OF CONDUCT

All participants including players, parents and spectators shall remain supportive of the organization’s commitment to the ideals of good sportsmanship and creating a positive, supportive experience for participants by adhering to the following doctrines.

Parents and spectators shall:

- Support and show respect for all players, coaches, umpires and league officials, and not ridicule or demean players on any team, officials, parents or other program participants.
- Make every attempt to have the youth player on time and ready to play for all games and practices.
- Be a positive role model and do their best to support a positive experience for players.
- Display the principals of good sportsmanship and team play and conduct themselves in a manner that best serves the interests of participants on all teams.
- Inform the coach of any disability or ailment that may affect the safety of a child.
- Comply with the decisions of league officials and observe all rules, policies and procedures as established or endorsed by the Grove City Parks and Recreation Department (GCPR).
- Not question an official’s call.
- Be drug and alcohol free while at any GCPR athletic event.

Players shall:

- Display good sportsmanship and team play at all times and respect all coaches, players, league officials, umpires and spectators.
- Not taunt or use abusive/profane language, act abusively toward, or attempt to humiliate any player, coach, official, spectator or GCPR representative.
- Follow the direction of the coaching staff.
- Not abuse or mistreat any GCPR or school equipment or property (e.g., throwing batting helmets).
- Make every attempt to be on time and ready to play for all games and practices.

Grove City Parks and Recreation has a **zero-tolerance policy**, the violation of which could result in an indefinite suspension up to a lifetime ban from Parks and Recreation activities. This includes, but is not limited to:

- fighting
- physical contact
- aggressive behavior towards an individual
- profanity
- belittlement of players
- violation of the substitution rule

Anyone who fails to conform their conduct to the preceding code of conduct while attending, coaching, officiating or participating in a youth sports event is subject to disciplinary action, including but not limited to the following in any order or combination:

- If an individual is ejected from a game for any reason, that individual must leave the facility, is immediately suspended and will not be permitted at any future practices or games until the sports supervisor has reviewed the incident.
 - The individual ejected, potential witnesses and the official must submit an incident report explaining the situation that resulted in the ejection.
 - Based upon the information provided, the suspension may result in a minimum of a one game suspension up to permanent removal from all future league activities conducted by Grove City Parks and Recreation.
 - If an individual is ejected from two separate games, that individual will be immediately removed from the league without a refund and will not be permitted at any facility for games for the remainder of the season.
- I agree that youth sports programs play an important role in promoting the physical, social and emotional development of children. Therefore, it is essential for players, parents, coaches, spectators and officials involved in youth sports events to model good sportsmanship and lead by example by demonstrating fairness, respect and self-control.
 - I accept any penalties that are assessed to me relating to my behavior.

PARENT SIGNATURE

DATE