

Athlete Name: _____

Sport: _____

CODE OF CONDUCT

After reading the Code of Conduct please print, sign, and return the Agreement.

Coaches and Parents/Guardians should be held to a standard of behavior that provides a positive environment for their athlete's sports experience. Parents/Guardians pledge to be good spectators; to assess the philosophy of the coach and league to make sure it matches the athlete's needs; to understand that all athletes are gifted but not in equal ways; to provide unconditional support; and to pay attention to see if their athlete is having fun, learning, and improving – as opposed to just winning.

COACH CODE OF ETHICS

(Provided by the National Youth Sports Coaches Association)

- I will place the emotional and physical wellbeing of my athletes ahead of a personal desire to win.
- I will treat each athlete as an individual, remembering the broad range of emotional and physical development for the same age group.
- I will do my best to provide a safe playing situation for my athletes.
- I promise to review and practice the basic first aid principles needed to treat injuries of my athletes.
- I will do my best to organize practices that are fun and challenging for all my athletes.
- I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all my athletes.
- I will provide a sports environment for my team that is free from 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 athletes.
- I will use those coaching techniques appropriate for each of the skills I teach.
- I will remember that I am a youth sports coach and that the game is for youth, and not the adults.

ATHLETE CODE OF ETHICS

- An athlete will encourage good sportsmanship and demonstrate good sportsmanship themselves.
- I will attend every practice and game and will notify my coach if I cannot.
- I will be expected to earn my playtime.
- I will do my best to listen and learn from my coaches.
- I will encourage my parents/guardians to be involved with my team in some capacity.
- I will do my best in school.
- I will remember that sports are an opportunity to learn and have fun.

PARENT/GUARDIAN CODE OF ETHICS

- I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care and encouragement for my athlete participating in youth sports by following this Parent's Code of Ethics Pledge.
- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all athletes, coaches, and officials at every game and practice.
- I will place the emotional and physical wellbeing of my athlete ahead of the personal desire to win. I understand that this is not a matter of life or death.... but a YOUTH SPORT.
- I will refrain from coaching my athlete or other athletes during games or practices.
- I will support coaches and officials working with my athlete to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
- I will demand a sports environment for my athlete that is free of tobacco, drugs and alcohol and will refrain from their use at all sporting events.
- I will treat my athlete no differently after a loss than a win.
- I will ask my athlete to treat other coaches, athletes, fans, and officials with respect.
- I promise to help my athlete enjoy the youth sports experience by doing whatever I can such as being a respectable fan and volunteering. I also agree to encourage my athlete to follow the rules pertaining to; Attendance, Promptness, Responsibility, Respect, Participation at Practice.
- If I have any concerns I will talk with the coach at the appropriate time and place; i.e.: never before, during, or immediately after a game.
- I will encourage my athlete to address any concerns with his coach. If any issues remain unresolved, I agree to meet with the coach and my athlete to discuss any issues. If the problem is not yet resolved, I will 1. request a meeting with the AMA Commissioner, then 2. the AMA Director, 3. then a Board Meeting. I understand that this is the "chain of command" to adhere to.
- I agree to return ALL equipment that has been provided to my athlete upon the request of the AMA Staff at the conclusion of the season. I agree to be held financially responsible if I fail to do so.
- I agree to fulfill my volunteering obligations, and understand that I may be held financially responsible if I fail to do so.

Parent/Guardian (please print)

Parent/Guardian (signature)

Date

Athlete (please print)

Athlete (signature)

Date

Coach (please print)

Coach (signature)

Date