

## PLAYERS CODE OF ETHICS

I hereby pledge to be positive about my youth sports experience responsibility for my participation by following this Player's Code of Ethics Pledge:

- I will encourage good sportsmanship from fellow players, coaches, officials, and parents at every game and practice by demonstrating good sportsmanship.
- I will attend every practice and game that I can and will notify my coach if I cannot.
- I will expect to receive fair and equal amount of playing time.
- I will do my very best to listen and learn from my coaches.
- I will treat my coaches, other players, officials and fans with respect regardless of race, sex, creed, or abilities and I will expect to be treated accordingly.
- I will deserve to have fun during my sports experience and will alert parents or coaches if it stops being fun!
- I deserve to play in an environment that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and expect adults to refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- I will encourage my parents to be involved with my team in some capacity because it's important to me.
- I will do my very best in school.
- I will remember that sports are an opportunity to learn and have fun.

### **CORRECTIVE ACTION POLICY**

Players who fail to adhere to the Code of Conduct or do not live up to their responsibilities or expectations will be subject to disciplinary action. WSR Youth Sports does not want a problem child to spoil the experience of youth sports for the other children in the programs. Therefore, WSR Youth Sports program has instituted a Corrective Action Policy to establish appropriate consequences for inappropriate behavior.

The Corrective Action Policy is a guide to assist coaches and WSR Youth Sports run a quality program. The Corrective Action Policy is a 4-step system designed to forgive a mistake but to firmly address chronic misbehavior.

For violations of the Code of Conduct or Expectations, these steps will be followed:

Step 1 – Verbal Warning Coach will discuss undesirable conduct with player and parents and stress that this behavior will not be tolerated.

Step 2 – Period Suspension Coach will bench the offending player for 1 period during a game when he/she should be playing. Coach will inform the Program Director of the problem and why the child is sitting out 1 game period.

Step 3 – Game Suspension Coach will bench the offending player for 1 entire game when he/she should be playing. Coach will inform Program Director of the 3rd offense, at which time the player and the parent(s) must attend a meeting with the Coach and the Program Director before the player can resume playing. The player will be warned that the next offense will result in his/her expulsion from the league.

Step 4 – League Expulsion The participant on the 4th offense will be expelled from the league and no refund will be given. The parent will then have to make a formal request to be re-instated into this league. The child and parent(s) will then have to meet with the Program Director prior to the start of the season to determine if the child can play within the guidelines of this program.

**These guidelines are not absolute in dealing with behavioral problems. Severe situations could merit harsher sanctions against participant.**

Parent: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## WSR Youth Sports Parent Code of Conduct

WSR Youth Sports will not tolerate verbal abuse or disruptive behavior of its Volunteer Coaches, Parents, Participants, Fans, or Spectators.

1. Parents understand they will not criticize coaches/players or cheerleaders in front of other spectators in the stands, but reserve constructive criticism in private.

Parents may not use profane or indecent means to communicate any verbal or non-verbal gesture that could be construed as racist, sexist, religious in nature, or abusive in nature.

2. Accept all decisions of the games officials, referees, and coaches on the field as being fair and called to the best ability of said officials. Parents may not use profane or indecent means to communicate any verbal or non-verbal gesture that could be construed as racist, sexist, religious in nature, or abusive in nature.

3. Parents understand that they will not criticize an opposing team, its players, coaches, or referees either away or home.

Parents may not use profane or indecent means to communicate any verbal or non-verbal gesture that could be construed as racist, sexist, religious in nature, or abusive in nature.

4. Parents understand that they will not use any physical or verbal abuse or profane language or gestures at any time during a WSR function.

5. Parents will abstain from any drug or alcohol consumption at, during, in route to, and in route from all WSR functions.

6. Parents may not interrupt games or interfere with coaches or staff and will not be allowed on the field of play during all games at every location.

7. Parents understand that all complaints about games, coaching strategies, and WSR operating procedures will not be addressed during games and may only be addressed to the WSR Director in a timely manner. Parents can be assured that all grievances will be handled quickly and fairly.

8. Parents understand that their athletes will be required to attend all practices and events unless otherwise specified to their respected coaches and approved by WSR staff. Parents also understand that not meeting these requirements will cause their athlete to not play in the following game as a matter of fairness to their athlete's team mates and the structure of the team as a whole.

9. Parents will place the emotional and physical well-being of their athlete above the concept of winning.

10. Parents will understand that due to concussion protocol if their athlete sustains a suspected injury to their face, neck, and head their athlete will be removed from the game and must seek medical advice from their doctor. Parents will also understand that their athlete will not be able to participate in practices or games until a WSR Youth Sports representative physically sees documented proof that your child has not sustained an injury to the fore mentioned areas.

Violation:

Parents will understand that any violation of this code of conduct will result in the following:

Violation 1: Private consultation with coach and WSR Youth Sports representative. This shall be treated as your one and only warning. In this case you may not receive a refund.

Violation 2: Forfeiture of the game in progress. In this case you will not receive a refund.

Violation 3: Removal of all rights and privileges assigned or operated by WSR Youth Sports for no less than 1 calendar year from the date of violation. In this case you will not receive a refund.

I have read and understand these rules and regulations and will adhere to them. I also understand that if I violate these rules that I will be subject to action based on WSR Youth Sports' violation parameters and may be asked to not participate and will not receive a refund of any kind.

Parent signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_