## **Parent's Code of Conduct**

If children are to grow and develop in their sport or physical activity, and environment of positive communication and respect must exist. Parents should observe the following Code of Conduct with their child athletes.

- I will remember that my child plays sport for his or her enjoyment, not for mine.
- I will encourage my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- I will encourage my child to respect the rights of other players, coaches, fans & officials.
- I will teach my child that doing one's best is as important as winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game/event.
- I will make my child feel like a winner every time by offering praise for competing fairly and trying hard.
- I will never ridicule or yell at my child for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- I will remember that children learn best by example. I will applaud good players' performances by both my child's team and their opponents.
- I will never question the official's judgment or honesty in public.
- I will support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from children's sporting activities.
- I will respect and show appreciation for the trained volunteer coaches who give their time to provide sport activities for my child, understanding that I have a responsibility to be part of my child's development.
- I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.
- I will educate & encourage my child to treat other players, coaches, officials, & spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
- I will demand an environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco and alcohol, and I will refrain from their use at all sporting events.
- I will have respect for all the facilities and equipment used in the sport.