

"PURSUING VICTORY WITH HONOR" Character & Ethics Code of Conduct

"Parent"

Sports and recreational play is a big part in the lives of many youth of our communities. A positive athletic experience has the potential to promote the quality of life by placing emphasis on ethics and character building. Besides coaches and players, parents, also have an opportunity to enhance and improve not only the level of play in athletic competition, but the quality of character development in the lives of young athletes as well. Many competitive and recreational athletic programs in our surrounding communities pledge to support and implement principles founded on the premise that "sports can and should enhance the character and uplift the ethics of the nation." We must all work together to achieve these crucial goals to maintain integrity of youth, sports and the community as a whole. We encourage coaches, parents and players to provide positive support, care and encouragement to youth participating in competitive sports by following Character & Ethics Code of Conduct:

I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care and encouragement for my child/charge participating in youth sports by following this Parent/Guardian Code of Ethics Pledge:

- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, and officials at every game, practice, or other youth sports event.
- I will place the emotional and physical well being of my child ahead of a personal desire to win.
- I will support coaches and officials working with my child, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
- I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free of drugs, tobacco, alcohol and profanity and will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- I will do my very best to make youth sports fun for my child and I will remember that the game is for youths and not for adults.
- I will ask my child to treat other players, coaches, fans and officials with respect regardless of race, sex, creed or ability.
- I will keep my cheering and comments positive and be sensitive to all participants of the game.

Signature of Parents/Guardians	Date
Your Child's Name and Division	Girls / Boys / Co-ed VIF