

North Providence Youth Soccer Code of Conduct for Parents



As a parent or guardian of a NPYSA player, I agree to:

- Remember that children participate in sport for their enjoyment, not mine.
- Encourage children to participate, do not force them.
- Focus on the child's efforts and performance rather than winning or losing.
- Encourage children always to play according to the rules and to settle disagreements without resorting to hostility or violence.
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game.
- Respect the decisions of officials and teach children to do likewise.
- Learn the rules of the game and the policies of NPYSA.
- Appreciate my child's coach, other volunteers including board members and workers and the officials. The coach, board members and concession workers are volunteers --giving of personal time to provide an activity for your child. They are providing a valuable community service, often without reward other than their personal satisfaction. Without them your child could not participate.
- Believe that referees, just as coaches and players, are attempting to do their best. If I have questions or concerns with the referees, I will speak to the coach after the game or at practice.
- Demand a sports environment for the children that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and refrain from their use at all NPYSA games and practices.
- Be sure my child is available for most practices and games. Practices are as important as games. Children who simply don't show up for practice and/or games are letting everybody down. If I know my child is unable to attend a practice or game, I will give the coach advance notice to enable proper planning.
- Report to the coach all injuries, special medical conditions (such as asthma) or extenuating circumstances (such as lack of sleep or family crisis) that may affect the player.
- Send my child to practice and games ready to play.

I further understand that I not only represent myself, but also my team, the club, and the game of soccer and will conduct myself accordingly. I understand that the NPYSA Board will hold me accountable for my actions and behavior. I further understand that the NPYSA Board and its appointed disciplinary committee will monitor my behavior and will take appropriate action to uphold this Code of Conduct.