

Glen Rock Soccer Club Coach's Code of Conduct & Ethics

The Glen Rock Soccer Club (GRSC) is committed to enhancing the physical, social and emotional development of Glen Rock youth by promoting, teaching, playing and enjoying the game of soccer. We adhere to the highest possible standards of professionalism, sportsmanship and ethical conduct. As a coach, I represent the GRSC and pledge to always align my actions to the following GRSC *Coach's Code of Conduct & Ethics*.

Player support

- I will place the emotional and physical well-being of each player above all else, including winning.
- I will strive to teach my players basic soccer skills, techniques and strategies, and I will
 provide opportunities for all players to improve their skills, gain confidence and develop
 self-esteem at practice and in games.
- I will do my best to keep the sport of soccer fun and enjoyable.
- I will not tolerate or participate in any physical or verbal abuse, harassment, intimidation or bullying nor will I criticize or yell at any player for making a mistake.
- I will demand a sports environment that is free from drugs, alcohol and tobacco; furthermore, I will refrain from the use of drugs, alcohol and tobacco at every game and practice and I will never arrive to a game or practice under the influence.

Personal conduct

- I will be a positive role model who maintains my personal integrity and dignity at all times. I will encourage good sportsmanship and fair play, and demonstrate respect for all participants players, officials, parents, opponents and spectators.
- I will never swear, use profanity, make obscene gestures or engage in any inappropriate behavior or conduct at any time.
- I will respect the authority of the referees and game officials during every game. I will never
 excessively argue any decisions made by them nor confront any referee on or off the field
 before, during or after the game. I will treat officials with respect and dignity, and will teach
 my players to do the same.
- I will be humble in victory and gracious in defeat, placing the well-being of every player above my personal desire to win. I will encourage the same from my players, parents and spectators.

In the event a complaint of a violation of the GRSC *Coach's Code of Conduct & Ethics* is brought against a GRSC Coach or Assistant Coach, it will be investigated and dealt with on an individual basis as determined by the GRSC Executive Committee.

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