

## SJC Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct

The Snohomish Junior Cheer (SJC) Cheerleader Parents/Guardians shall support the cheerleaders, coaches, volunteers, team parents and cheer board. Parents understand and agree as follows:

- Communication: Parents/guardians will not confront a coach, team parent, league official or board member to discuss any "negative" situations until at least 24 hours after a game or practice, unless it's an emergency. Complaints should be submitted using the Grievance/Complaint Form and then provided to the SJC Board.
- 2. **Respect and Behavior:** Parents/guardians will show respect to coaches, referees, and officials. Any complaints should be addressed privately, not in front of cheerleaders. Unsportsmanlike conduct may result in removal from events.
- 3. **Sideline Conduct:** Parents/guardians must remain in the designated crowd area and follow venue policies. Only enter the field for child injuries.
- 4. **Cell Phones:** Cheerleaders' phones should be out of sight during practices, games and events. Parents must arrange contact through coaches if needed.
- 5. **Sportsmanship:** Parents/guardians will model good sportsmanship, respect, and positive behavior, supporting their child and the team. Parents/Guardians will be mindful of their child's behavior whenever wearing team apparel, whether attending a program event or a nonprogram event.
- 6. **Substance Use:** The use of drugs, alcohol, tobacco, e-cigarettes, or vaping on school property is prohibited and may result in ejection.
- 7. Safety: Parents/guardians must:
  - Inform coaches of any health concerns or conditions affecting their child's participation.

- Parents/guardians understand that their child will be given every opportunity to participate and compete, however the safety of our athletes is our number one concern.
- Parents/guardians will notify the coach or team parent if their child will walk, ride a bike, or be picked up by someone other than the parent.
- Children less than 8 years of age must ALWAYS be accompanied by a Parent/Guardian or other designated Adult during both practices and games.
- Parents/guardians will communicate with the team parent and/or coach if a child will be leaving a practice or game prior to the designated end time.
- Parents/guardians understand that missed practices and games or late notice for an absence may result in their cheerleaders having limited participation in upcoming games/stunting/halftime performances.
- 8. **Fundraising:** Parents are expected to support team fundraising efforts and direct any concerns to coaches or board members.
- 9. **Social Media:** Negative comments about the league, coaches, or participants on social media are prohibited.
- 10. Photography: Authorization is given to publish photographs of the SJC cheerleaders and families for use on the Snohomish Jr Cheer Website and the SJC Social Media pages.
- 11. **Compliance:** Non-compliance with this code may result in suspension or exclusion from events or suspension of my child from participation.

Acknowledgement

I have read and understand this Code of Conduct and agree to follow these guidelines.

Cheerleader Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_

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