



PARENTS CODE OF ETHICS/CONDUCT (Adult Code of Conduct)

The objective of this program is to inspire our youth to practice ideals of health, citizenship and character, to bring our youth closer together through the means of a common interest in sportsmanship, fair play and fellowship; to impart to the game elements of safety, sanity, and intelligent supervision; and to keep the welfare of the player first, foremost and entirely free of the adult drive for glory.

In order to keep the program free of the adult drive for glory and other adult conduct which is detrimental to the ideals of youth sports, parents and guardians of football players and cheerleaders as well as all adults connected with or who participate in the San Gabriel Valley Junior All-American Football Conference, Inc., Football Program or Cheerleader Program must adhere to the following standards of conduct.

1. **DO NOT** physically or verbally abuse anyone in the program.
2. No physical altercation will be permitted. Fighting in public is a Misdemeanor.
3. No smoking (on the field) during practice or at game time.
4. Show respect for all parents/guardians, opponents, officials, and coaches at all times. **DO NOT** argue with or criticize the football players, cheerleaders, coaches, athletic directors, board members, or officials during practice, scrimmages, or at game time, or at any City sponsored event by word of mouth or gesture. Reserve constructive criticism for private meetings with the person who is the object of the constructive criticism. **DO NOT** argue with or criticize the game officials, the opposing team, the opposing staff or fans, by word of mouth or gesture.
5. Refrain from the use of social media outlets (such as Facebook, Twitter, or other forums) to impart or express negative information toward any Carded Conference Member, any Member of the Conference Executive Board, City Franchise Board, parent/guardian, or participant.
6. **DO NOT** use abusive, profane, vulgar or other offensive language and gestures.
7. **No consumption or use of alcoholic beverages is allowed during practice or at game time. Drinking in public is a Misdemeanor. Any person who is observed consuming alcoholic beverages at any sponsored event will be summarily ejected/banned from further participation in any sponsored event and shall be personally responsible for any monetary fine leveled against any Franchise or Conference resulting from such conduct.**
8. **No noisemaker** (i.e. whistles, horns, megaphones, cowbells, etc.), may be used during a game or competition. Any City Franchise whose adults are in violation of this prohibition will be fined.
9. **DO NOT** incite unsportsmanlike conduct.
10. **DO NOT** seek to undermine the authority of the Team Staff, including the City Board of Directors or SGVJAAFC Officials, through word of mouth or deed.
11. **DO** accept the decisions of coaches as being fair and made to the best of the coach's ability, given their volunteer status.



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12. **DO** set an example by your personal conduct at all times in front of all persons connected with the football or cheerleading program.
13. **DO** remember that winning at all costs is not a message we wish to impart to our youth. Instead, we want them to have fun, to play safe, and to encourage good sportsmanship.
14. In the event any rules are violated the Board has the right to take the necessary action along with the assistance of the local agency to correct any potential problems.
15. In addition, these rules apply to any guest in attendance with any parent, guardian or other party involved with the football program or cheerleading program. **IT IS THE PARENTS/GUARDIANS RESPONSIBILITY TO INFORM ANY GUESTS/FAMILY MEMBERS THE RULES AND GUIDELINES THEY ARE EXPECTED TO FOLLOW AT ANY OF THE PARTICIPANTS FUNCTIONS.**

The violation of any portion of these rules relating to the Parent (Adult) Code of Conduct will subject the violating individual to any one or all of the following penalties:

PENALTIES

1. Violations that occur at a Scrimmage, Game, Cheer Competition or any Practice to include City or Conference functions that person or persons will be asked to leave that particular event. It can be for a game, multiple games, a season or seasons, post-season, or permanent ineligibility due to the severity of the violation.
2. The participating player or cheerleader who is related to the adult in violation of these Parent (Adult) Code of Conduct rules may be suspended from the team for any number of game or games; may be placed on probation; or may be disqualified from further participation in San Gabriel Valley Junior All-American Football Conference activities due to the violations of the Parents (Adult) Code of Conduct. **NO REFUNDS FOR PARTICIPANTS WHO ARE DISMISSED FROM ANY SGVJAAFC/FRANCHISE DUE TO A VIOLATION OF PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT.**

HEARINGS

If a complaint is registered with San Gabriel Valley Junior All-American Football Conference regarding an alleged violation of the Adult Code of Conduct rules, it will be investigated initially by the City Franchise President. If the City Franchise President, in his or her sole discretion, determines that there is some minimum amount of evidence that the rules of the Adult Code of Conduct have been violated, the offending adult will receive written notice of the alleged violation and will be invited to attend a regular or specially called meeting of the **Glendora Youth Football and Cheer** Board of Directors upon not less than 48 hours telephonic/written notice. At the meeting, the allegations against the offending individual will be presented and the offending individual will thereafter have the opportunity to present evidence to the contrary or to refute the allegations. No hearing shall be conducted for a period of time in excess of one

(1) hour. At the conclusion of the hearing, all individuals with the exception of the Directors of **Glendora Youth Football and Cheer** will be excused from the room. Thereafter, the Directors of **Glendora Youth Football and Cheer** will consider the matter in Executive Session and will render a written decision within ten (10) days. The written decision of the **Board of Directors of Glendora Youth Football and Cheer** will be final. The written decision will specify the punishment, if any, and the date upon which any disqualification, suspension, probation, or disbarment will take place, as well as the terminating date of the penalty.