## McMinnville Parks and Recreation Department

## MCMINNVILLE YOUTH SPORTS PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

The McMinnville Parks \& Recreation Department encourages all parents to attend their child's sports activities and also offers numerous opportunities for parents to volunteer their time in support. All parents are expected to abide by the code of conduct and the Recreation Department reserves the right to take appropriate action if these goals are not met.

1. I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
2. I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league.
3. I will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or league event.
4. I will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player or parent such as booing and taunting, or using profane language or gestures.
5. I will teach my child to play by the rules and resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
6. I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning.
7. I will promote the emotional and physical well being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
8. I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront volunteer coaches at the game field, and will take the time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.
9. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all sports events.
10. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.
I also agree that if I fail to abide by the aforementioned rules and guidelines, I will be subject to disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to the following:
a. A verbal warning by game official, head coach, or Recreation staff
b. Parental game suspension with written documentation of incident kept on files
c. Game forfeit through the game official, coach, or Recreation Staff
d. Parental season suspension.
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