

AYFCA strives to provide a safe, fun learning environment for our youth football players. We will do our best to create an opportunity for kids to work together as a team toward common goals. We emphasize sportsmanship, teamwork, responsibility, commitment and respect. Our focus is on developing and teaching proper, safe football skills, and core life values through the sport of football.

AYFCA will not tolerate verbal or physical abuse of its volunteer coaches, referees, or players from any Parent, Player, or Spectator.

### **Parent/Guardian and Spectator Code of Conduct:**

1. I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all participants, coaches, officials, board members, and staff at all league events.
2. I will encourage a balanced lifestyle for my child between sports, education, and other interests.
3. I will place the emotional, psychological, and physical well being of my child, and any other child in the league ahead of any personal desires I may have.
4. I will support all coaches, board members, and others working with my child, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
5. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake or losing a game.
6. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game.
7. I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for them, not adults.
8. I will ask my child to treat other participants, coaches, board members, parents, and spectators with respect, regardless of race, sex, creed, or ability.
9. I will, along with any guest of mine, refrain from any vulgar, lewd, or obscene language or gestures while participating in, or watching any league events.
10. I will respect the coach's right to coach. I will not interfere whatsoever during the course of practice or games. Should I have a concern, I will wait for the appropriate time in which to consult with the coach, or turn my attention to the Commissioner, to express my concerns.
11. I understand that only the coaches, registered players and approved volunteers are allowed on the field during all practices, games and league events. Parents or Guardians are encouraged to attend all practices, games and league events, but must observe from an area designated for spectators.

**I understand that if I do not adhere to this Code of Conduct, I may be removed from attending games for a period of time (to be determined by the AYFCA board). As a result of any suspension, I may be required to meet with the AYFCA board prior to being reinstated.**