

PULASKI YOUTH ORGANIZATION PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Preamble

The essential elements of character-building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core principles: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and good citizenship. The highest potential of sport is achieved when competition reflects these “six pillars of character”.

I therefore agree:

1. I will not force my child to participate in sports.
2. I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
3. I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child.
4. I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the Pulaski Youth Organization.
5. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or other sporting events.
6. I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach or parent such as booing, taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures.
7. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health of the athletes.
8. I will teach my child to play by the rules and resolve conflicts without using hostility or violence.
9. I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, or ability.
10. 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 or his/her performance.
11. I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner.
12. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making mistakes or losing a competition.
13. 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.
14. I will respect the officials and their authority during games and also, will never question, or confront coaches at any time.
15. If a problem does arise with your child’s coach, I agree to contact the commissioner of that sport not the coach directly and to fill out an Incident Report using the form available on the PYO website within 30 days of the incident.

There will be **ZERO TOLERANCE**. If you fail to abide by the aforementioned rules and guidelines, you will be subject to disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to the following: **Parental season suspension with written documentation of incident kept on file by the Pulaski Youth Organization.**

Parent/Guardian Requirements

1. **I will fulfill my tournament work assignments for each child engaged in PYO teams, in order for the PYO to be able to generate the funds necessary to continue to support the tournament teams. I understand that if I fail to complete my assignments I may be fined \$150 and it will result in my child losing the opportunity to participate in PYO activities until the fine is paid.**
2. **I will return my child’s uniform in good condition promptly at the end of the season. Failure to return the uniform will result in loss of your uniform deposit.**

Date _____

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Parents/Guardians Signature

This documentation must be signed to enable your child to participate in this Pulaski Youth Organization sponsored program.

Commissioner’s Name and Number _____