



CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARENTS – SPORT

Parents please note the following:

The management of the team is solely responsible for the team once that team has assembled at the venue. This involves warm-up sessions.

1. Parents are not allowed to interfere with practices. Players will only take instructions from the team management.
2. Parents are not allowed to take their children away whilst the match is still in progress. Only once the coach has dismissed the players after the match, may they leave. This includes reserves.
3. In the event of inclement weather, parents must wait for play to be officially abandoned before taking their children away. Always check with management first.
4. The selection of players for a match is the prerogative of the management. Parents must refrain from trying to influence the management regarding the team selection.
5. Parents must refrain from abusive or threatening behaviour towards match officials and management who are there on a voluntary basis.
6. Players are to sit together as a team, away from their parents. Only with permission from management will they be allowed to go over to their parents.
7. Parents are encouraged to support their children without any negative comments directed at the opposition or match officials involved. Players must be encouraged to play the game in good spirit and accept the referee's decision at all times. Bad behaviour will not be tolerated.
8. Parents are not to issue any instructions to the players whilst on the field (let the players enjoy the game without having to deal with parental pressure and expectations). This is the management's responsibility.
9. Parents are not allowed to take drinks onto the field. These may be passed onto the management to give to the reserves.
10. Parents must refrain from being involved in any unpleasantness with the opposition parents.
11. Should there be any problem or query, the correct channel of communication must be utilized i.e. team management. If parents wish to pursue an issue, it must be done via the school and district concerned.

Parents must encourage good sportsmanship and remember most sport is played as a team and not an individual sport. Often the needs of the team come above those of the players. By helping your child to understand this you will be teaching him a very important life skill.