

CODE OF CONDUCT

YOUNG PEOPLE PLAY SCHOOL SPORT FOR FUN

Players:

- Treat all people fairly and with respect regardless of race, background, religious beliefs or gender
- Respect the referee, umpire or official's decisions and the rules of the game
- Co-operate with teachers, coaches, volunteers, teammates and opponents
- Control your temper and do not criticise others by words or gestures
- Work to the best of your ability both individually and as a team
- Be a good sport and recognise good play even when it comes from the other team
- Respect the facility and equipment being used
- Wear appropriate kit and remove jewellery before play

Parents / Spectators:

- Applaud good performance and effort by your team and the opponents
- Congratulate both teams
- Encourage players to play by the rules and the respect the official's decision
- Never ridicule or criticise young people for making a mistake during a competition, mistakes are part of learning
- Condemn the use of violence in any form, be it by spectators, coaches, teachers, officials or players
- Show respect for your team's opponents
- Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour by not using foul language or harassing players, coaches, teachers or officials
- Recognise the value and importance of teachers, volunteer coaches and officials, and show your appreciation
- Let the teacher/coach/official do their job, don't confuse the players by telling them what to do
- Anyone taking photos & videos should familiarise themselves with the photo & video policy displayed at the event

Coaches / Teachers / Team Managers:

- Show respect to others involved in the game including your players, match officials, opposition players, coaches, managers and spectators
- Compliment both teams on their effort, giving positive and constructive criticism
- Be consistent, objective and courteous in calling infractions
- Don't use inappropriate language, behaviour and violence of any form
- Act as a positive role model, adhere to the rules and teach players to do the same
- Ensure that your behaviour is always consistent with the principles of good sportsmanship
- Place the wellbeing, safety & development of before young people the performance or result
- Encourage players to value their own performance and not just results
- Treat all people fairly and with respect regardless of race, background, religious beliefs or gender
- Use common sense to ensure that the "Spirit of the Games" for young people is not lost by overcalling violations

