



## ***PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT***

- Remember that you are there for the players to enjoy the game and provide them support.
- Encourage participation, but don't force it.
- Teach the players that having fun is more important than winning.
- Never ridicule mistakes or losses. You are there to support and encourage, not downgrade.
- Lead by example and respect all players, coaches, referees, officials, spectators and board members. Physical or verbal abuse will not be tolerated.
- Recognize all that all coaches and league officials are volunteers and willingly give up their valuable time.
- Never publicly criticize referees, rather raise personal concerns with league officials using the proper process outlined below.
- Do not discriminate, including making verbal remarks, based on race, religion, gender or mental or physical ability. This behavior is harmful. In the end, it is the player, team, league and you who are let down with this behavior.
- Respect all the facilities and equipment of the league, coach, players, and 3<sup>rd</sup> parties (i.e. practice grounds).
- Do not engage in physical and/or verbal intimidation, abuse or conduct toward any player, league official, referee or spectator. Abusive language is unacceptable.
- Condemn the use of violence in any form, whether it is by spectators, coaches, officials, players, or board members.
- Abide by the By-Laws, Policies and Rules & Regulations.
- Allow KYSL to address questions, comments or concerns in a professional and orderly manner before addressing social media. The following process is used for all matters which also include, but are not limited to, the performance or behavior of any player, parent, coach, referee, official, or board member or any league policies, and game calls.
  1. Complaints about a player or parent are made to your league area rep.
  2. Complaints about a coach are made to your league area rep.
  3. Complaints about a referee are made to your area rep or league official on the fields. These complaints are made before games, after games or during halftime only.

4. Complaints about an area rep or board member are made to the league President or Vice-President.
  5. Complaints about the Vice-President are made to the President.
  6. Complaints about the President are made to the Board.
- Limit the use of information technology to make or post inappropriate comments against players, officials, referees or KYSL and its board members which is discriminatory or offensive prior to utilizing the process above for questions, comments, or concerns. Information technology includes, but is not limited to, email, instant messaging, text messages, phone messages, digital images, website postings (including social media such as Facebook, Twitter and blogs).
  - Violations of the code of conduct may result in, but are not limited to:
    1. Warning
    2. Suspension
    3. Expulsion\*\*\*Suspension/expulsion will also apply to anyone supporting any violation\*\*\*

I have read, understand and hereby agree to abide by and support this KYSL Parent Code of Conduct.