



## Spencer Van Etten Youth Association **PARENT/SPECTATOR CODE OF CONDUCT**

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 the children, not the adults.
3. I will be appreciative of the time and energy which Spencer Van Etten Youth Association board members, directors, coaches and volunteers generously give to my child and will support them.
4. I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league.
5. I will make sure my athlete is ready to participate and on time (as assigned by his/her coach) to all team practices and events.
6. I (and my guests) will be positive role models for my child and encourage good sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials, and spectators, at every game, practice, or other sporting event.
7. I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player or parent such as booing and taunting, refusing to shake hands, or using profane language or gestures.
8. I (and my guests) will respect all facilities made available so my child can play games and practice his/her sport.
9. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and wellbeing of the athletes.
10. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
11. I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials, and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex, or ability.
12. I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner every time.
13. I will teach my child that doing ones best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.
14. I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.
15. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all sports events.
16. I will not coach from the sidelines and will offer positive reinforcement only.
17. I agree that if I fail to abide by the rules and guidelines above, I will be subject to disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to the following:
  - Verbal warning by official, head coach, and/or head of league organization
  - Written warning
  - Parental game suspension with written documentation of incident kept of file by Spencer Van Etten Youth Association
  - Full season suspension
  - Expulsion from League (you are not permitted in or at any Spencer Van Etten Youth Association events)

Participants Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Parents Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Parents Signature \_\_\_\_\_