



EPWFA PARENTS CODE OF CONDUCT

As an organization committed to the teaching and enjoyment of youth football, the EPWFA seeks to promote the highest standards of courtesy, sportsmanship and positive behavior among its families. Parents of all participating players are expected to demonstrate the principles in this Parents Code of Conduct while engaging in activities related to EPWFA.

Team & Player Support

- Understand team schedule and obligations. Have your child at the field at the expected time.
- Ensure that your child is sufficiently rested and properly dressed for each game
- Inform your child's coach in a timely manner when school, family or other obligations will prevent your child from attending practice or games.
- Support your child's coach and team rules. Discuss individual player concerns privately with your coach.
- Promote a climate of enjoyment among other team parents

Sportsmanship & Personal Conduct

- Cheer in a positive manner. Applaud quality by all players. Avoid negative criticism.
- Allow the coach to coach, the referee to officiate, and the players to play the game.
- Avoid giving instructions and attempting to coach from the parents' sidelines. Parents' instruction can be confusing and possibly contrary to the coach's instruction.
- Show respect and courtesy to match officials. Do not audibly criticize the decisions of the referees.
- Show respect and courtesy to the opposing players, coaches and parents.
- Accept the rules of the game and encourage your child to be gracious-regardless of the outcome.

Club & League Policies

- Observe the rules and policies of the EPWFA and all affiliated leagues and tournaments.
- Pay organization and team fees in accordance with the required schedules.
- Provide volunteer support for the EPWFA and your team.
- When concerns arise regarding your child's coach or with the EPWFA rules or policies, bring them to the attention of your team liaison. If you still feel there is a problem, then address the matter to the EPWFA board in a timely, discrete manner.
- All complaints must be submitted in writing, signed and dated by the concerned party and given to the teams Board Liaison. Emails will be accepted with the following information: *electronic signature, contact information provided (i.e. home phone number/cell phone number) and a convenient time stated in writing, when a board member may contact you to discuss the issue or concern.* **NO TEXT MESSAGES WILL BE ACCEPTED.** All complaint documents and their contents become property of the EPWFA. Any unsigned complaints will be considered void and will not be recognized or discussed by the EPWFA Board.