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PARENT | GUARDIAN CODE OF ETHICS AND CODE OF CONDUCT

I pledge to provide positive support, care and encouragement for my child participating in youth sports by following this PARENT | GUARDIAN CODE OF ETHICS:

I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches and officials at every practice and game.

I will place the emotional and physical well being of my child ahead of any personal desire to win.

I will provide support for coaches and officials working with my child to provide a positive, enjoyable experience for all.

I will remember that the game is for children, not for adults.

I will do my very best to make youth sports fun for my child.

I will ask my child to treat other players, coaches, fans and officials with respect regardless of race, creed, sex or ability.

I pledge to provide positive support, care and encouragement for my child participating in youth sports by following this PARENT | GUARDIAN CODE OF CONDUCT:

1. No drugs and/or alcohol at practice or games at any time.
2. I recognize that coaches, referees and players are not perfect, and I will not harass them during or after the game.
3. I want a Recreation Department that cares and respects its program.
4. Parent | Guardian will not curse while at the games, in the parking lots or at any Covington DPRC-Recreation function.
5. Parent | Guardian will address their concerns to their head coach, Covington DPRC-Recreation Athletic Program Director, Covington DPRC Director, WST league officials, or board in an attempt to resolve their concerns.
6. Parent | Guardian will always cooperate with game officials in their duties of progressing games along in an orderly, efficient fashion by honoring their request for assistance. No parent | guardian is allowed to address an official with comments or questions during a game.

It is understood that one parent | guardian signature represents the agreement of both parent | guardian(s) to follow these guidelines.

Parent | Guardian Name (please print) _____

Parent | Guardian Signature _____ Date ____ / ____ / ____

City of Covington Department of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs

Parents/Guardians Code of Ethics | Code of Conduct Action Policy

In an effort to ensure that your children will have a positive, rewarding and fun recreational sports experience and environment while they acquire and build their athletic skills and sportsmanship, parents who do not adhere to the Code of Ethics | Code of Conduct (see reverse side) will be subject to the provisions within this Action Policy. It is the philosophy of Covington RECREATION that parents should not spoil the experience of participation in youth sports for the children. Furthermore, Covington RECREATION will never punish a child for the actions of his or her parent(s)/guardian(s).

Therefore, the following guidelines have been established for addressing ethics and conduct issues.

For violations of the Parents/Guardians Code of Ethics | Code of Conduct, the following steps will be followed:

Step 1 – Verbal Warning

Coach will discuss undesirable conduct with parents and stress that this behavior will not be tolerated. Coach will document this conversation and give to Covington RECREATION Athletic Programs Director.

Step 2 – Written Warning

Coach or official will notify the Covington RECREATION Athletic Programs Director of the continued breach of Code of Ethics | Code of Conduct and the Director will request a meeting with parent(s)/guardian(s) to discuss actions and what the proper behavior is. Furthermore, there will be a formal letter of warning given to parent(s)/guardian(s) stating that the next offense will lead to parent being banned from the sporting event venue for a period of 1 game.

Step 3 – Game Suspension

Covington Department of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs will ban the parent from attending the next scheduled game and another letter will be given to parent(s)/guardian(s) stating that the next offense will lead to parent being banned from all future games.

Step 4 – Season Suspension

The parent(s)/guardian(s) will be banned from attending all further games after a 4th offense. The parent(s)/guardian(s) will then have to make a formal request to be reinstated into future season attendance. The parent(s)/guardian(s) will then have to meet with the Covington RECREATION Athletic Programs Director and the Department of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs Director prior to the start of the season to determine if the parent(s)/guardian(s) is capable of behaving within the spirit and letter of the guidelines of this program.

These Action Policy guidelines are not absolute in dealing with behavioral problems. Severe situations could merit harsher sanctions against the parent(s)/guardian(s).