

The Colony Parks and Recreation

Athletics Coaches Code of Conduct



The Colony Parks and Recreation Athletics Department is committed to providing a positive sports participation opportunity to every child that registers for one of our programs. We have established a Coaches Code of Conduct Policy outlining how coaches should conduct themselves during the season.

Coach Code of Conduct

Coaches Are Expected To:

- Respect the officials and athletic staff's authority during games.
- Inform PARD Staff of any issues that arise at practices or games so they can be dealt with immediately and accordingly
- Remember that you are a youth coach, and that the game is for children and not adults.
- Lead by example and always demonstrate good sportsmanship before, during, and after games.
- I understand that the actions of myself and my guests—before, during, and after games or events—can impact the team and may affect my child's eligibility to participate in the league. This includes conduct on all social media platforms.
- Attend all practices and games unless a prior arrangement has been made with another approved coach (inform Athletics Supervisor of all team coaches names right away).
- I understand that if a background-checked and approved coach is not present on the sideline, the game will be considered a forfeit.
- Complete the full NAYS training provided by the department. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of head coach reimbursement. (Head Coaches Only)
- Provide fair or equal amount of playing time when coaching.
- I will focus on the fundamentals of the game and provide equal instruction to all players.
- Assure that gyms/fields are left clean and tidy after each practice and game. If not, the league could lose the privilege of using the facilities.
- Stay within the time limits of your practice. Other teams have to practice and going over your practice time is taking away the opportunity for other teams.
- Be responsible in monitoring and addressing parent's and other spectator's actions on the sidelines when necessary. Coaches are responsible for the behavior of ALL representatives of their team!
- Never yell at or be disrespectful of the officiating staff or athletics staff. The coach's behavior sets the example for everyone at the games.
- Communicate with the parents on your team and inform them of all team rules, practices and games.
- As a coach, I understand that I should not communicate with players from the opposing team in any capacity.
- I understand that any coach who does not follow these expectations or participate in the recreational spirit of this league may be removed as a coach or not invited back to coach in the future. The youth sport experience should be FUN for everyone involved!
- Failure to sign this conduct policy will result in scheduled games being forfeited until signed.

Conduct Unbecoming

The following conduct will be subject to disciplinary procedures:

- The physical abuse of any person.
 - This includes, but is not limited to, hitting, slapping, kicking, grabbing, or any other physical contact designed to discipline or humiliate
- The verbal abuse of any person.
- This includes disparaging or derogatory comments directed at players, coaches, referees, officials, or parents.
- The failure to leave the playing field or sideline IMMEDIATELY when instructed to do so by a game official and/or PARD supervisor.
- Dishonesty or cheating.
- The use of profanity.
- ANY unsportsmanlike behaviors before, during, and after games

Coaches: (Ejection)

***Any coach ejected will no longer be qualified for the head coach registration reimbursement.**

Suspension One:

If a coach is ejected from a game they will receive a one game suspension. That suspension will be enforced at the next game.

Suspension Two:

If a coach is ejected from a game for a second time in one season, they will lose coaching privileges up to a year, depending on severity.

Player: (Ejections)

Suspension One:

If a player is ejected from a game they will not be allowed to attend the following game.

Suspension Two:

If a player is ejected from a second game during the season they will no longer be allowed to play in our league for up to a year, depending on severity.

Spectator: (Ejections)

Suspension One:

If a player is ejected from a game they will not be allowed to attend the following game.

Suspension Two:

If a player is ejected from a second game during the season they will no longer be allowed to play in our league for up to a year, depending on severity.

Any physical contact made by a coach, spectator, or player will result in an immediate ejection.

The Colony Parks and Recreation Department will determine consequences on a case-by-case basis if infraction does not meet the above guidelines. The aforementioned suspensions will be the minimum penalty enforced and may be increased depending on severity. It is up to The Colony Parks and Recreation Department discretion to determine additional consequences for any unsportsmanlike conduct during the season.

I understand and agree to abide by all rules and expectations set by The Colony PARD while coaching in The Colony Youth League.

Signature

Date

Print Name