Parents/Spectators

We have all heard the horror stories of bad parent behavior on the sidelines and it has become a serious problem in youth sports. We are doing our best to make sure our league is different. The kids love to hear their fans/parents cheering for them, but it is very easy for some parents to cross that line and go overboard and the next thing you know, the entire sideline has lost control.

We want everyone to cheer as loud as they want, as long as it is encouraging but we **NEVER** want to hear them saying anything negative or coaching from the parents' side. When fans are yelling one thing and the coach is trying to tell the players something different, then the kids will just be confused and shut down.

Remember the game is the best teacher. If we are constantly telling the players what to do, they will learn to depend on us instead of making their own decisions. This can be hard when we see our children struggling; we want to help so we tell them what to do without realizing that we really are doing more harm than good.

All parents and spectators are expected to:

- Encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, game officials, and administrators at all times.
- Place the emotional and physical well-being of all players ahead of any personal desire to win.
- Support the coaches, officials, and administrators working with the kids, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
- Remember that the game is for the players, not for the adults.
- Ask our children to treat other players, coaches, game officials, administrators, and fans with respect.
- Always be positive.
- Always allow the coach to be the only coach, by refraining from coaching from the sidelines.
- Not enter into arguments with the other team's parents, players, or coaches
- Not enter the field of play for any reason during the game.
- Not criticize game officials.
- Not use artificial noise making devices.
- Alcohol, illegal drugs, tobacco products and unauthorized prescription drugs shall not be possessed, consumed or distributed before, during, after the game or at any

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other times at the field and/or game complex.

Failure to comply may result in the suspension of the privilege to participate in this league/program.