

Port Jervis Youth Football League Inc. (PJYFL)

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Parents Code of Conduct

The essential elements of character-building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core principles: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and good citizenship. The highest potential of sports is achieved when competition reflects these values.

I therefore agree;

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 youth, not adults.
3. I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
4. I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league, including following By-Laws from town or league.
5. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or other sporting event.
6. 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.
7. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and wellbeing of the athletes.
8. I and or my family/friends will not place any derogatory statements about the youth football league, players, cheerleaders, coaches, (includes other towns in OCYFL) on any electronic communication device (examples – Web site, Facebook, Twitter, you-tube, text message, etc.)
9. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
10. I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials, and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex, or ability.
11. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.
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 never ridicule or yell at my child or other participant for making a mistake or losing a competition.
14. I will emphasize skill development and practice and how they benefit my child over winning. I will also de-emphasize games and competition in the lower age groups.
15. I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
16. 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. (Follow 48 hr rule)
17. 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.
18. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.

I also agree that if I fail to abide by any of the aforementioned rules and guidelines, I will be subject to disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to the following:

- Verbal or Written warning by official, head coach, and/or town or league official.
- Parental game suspension with written documentation of incident kept on file by town or league involved
- Revoked Member in Good Standing status with town
- Parental season suspension
- Parental ban from all PJYFL activities
- Player game or season suspension

Any Physical contact made by one person on another person at any OCYFL/PJYFL event will result in an immediate suspension pending an investigation by the board. Assault will be defined as a punch, kick, slap, spit, or any physical contact upon another person.

PARENT/GAURDIAN

PRINT NAME

SIGNATURE

DATE

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CHILD'S NAME: _____

PJYFL/OCYFL SEASON: _____