

Danville Oaks Rugby Football Club Parent Code of Conduct

- 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 Danville Oaks.
- 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 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 well-being of the participants.
- 8. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- 9. I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation or ability.
- 10. 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.
- 11. I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner every time.
- 12. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake or losing a competition.



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- 13. I will emphasize skill development at practices and how they benefit my child over winning. I will also de-emphasize games and competition in the lower age groups.
- 14. 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.
- 15. I will respect the officials and their authority during games and competitions and I will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the practice or game field. I will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place but no earlier than 48 hours following a scheduled game.
- 16. 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 Danville Oaks events.
- 17. 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 agree to the foregoing Code of Conduct and acknowledge that the Danville Oaks organization may enforce these and other rules of participation and conduct in a manner that could involve the suspension/termination of my privilege of attending Danville Oaks events and also my child's participation in the Danville Oaks Rugby Football program.