

## Code of Conduct

**East Aurora Lacrosse Association (EALA) Code of Conduct** is intended to ensure that all people involved in the program treat each other with dignity and respect. The Code of Conduct is a condition of membership and all players, parents and coaches must agree to abide by this code. All enforcement decisions made by the Association relative to code violations are final and are not subject to review. No refunds will be granted to players who are dismissed from the Association for violating the Code of Conduct.

### **Player Conduct**

1. Always show respect for your teammates, coaches, referees and opponents.
2. Learn the rules of playing lacrosse and abide by them.
3. Pay attention to the coach's direction and give your best effort at each practice and game.
4. Set a positive example by your behavior.
5. Support and encourage your teammates.
6. Wear the required equipment at all practices and games.
7. Display good sportsmanship on and off the field.

### **Coach Conduct**

1. Understand the game of lacrosse. Educate yourself on the rules and fundamentals of the game.
2. Educate yourself on methods of teaching lacrosse skills.
3. Follow EALA curriculum as provided to develop lacrosse skills in an age-appropriate and progressive manner.
4. Teach lacrosse in a manner that emphasizes good sportsmanship and fair play.
5. Ensure the safety of players by mandating that the required equipment is worn at all times during practice and games.
6. Sanction players that taunt, use abusive or foul language or exhibit violent behavior.
7. Strive to ensure that players receive playing time.
8. Praise players for effort and avoid the use of degrading comments and negative criticism.
9. Demonstrate respect for officials, opposing coaches and players, parents and spectators.

### **Parent Conduct**

1. Demonstrate good sportsmanship at all games and practices.
2. Be respectful of officials' decisions.
3. Let players play and coaches coach, support both positively.
4. Demonstrate respect for opposing players, coaches and spectators.
5. Emphasize the fun of the game and putting forth good effort at all games and practices.
6. Show respect for the coaches and follow the chain of command to resolve any issues or concerns. (Chain of Command: Coach>Coach Coordinator>Board of Directors)

Violation of the Code of Conduct will not be tolerated and will be addressed in the following manner:

Players violating this code during practice or games can be ejected from the practice or game and may, depending on the nature of the violation, be suspended or banned from future games or participation in

EALA. In cases of serious misconduct, the parent or guardian of the player will be contacted and advised as to the nature of the misconduct and potential ramifications.

Coaches violating the code shall be addressed by the Association and can lead to a reprimand, warning, suspension or expulsion from EALA.

Parents or spectators that commit code violations can be asked to leave the field and, in severe instances, barred from further attendance at EALA practices and games.