

# LLYFL Code of Conduct - Fall 2025

Football should be fun for all athletes, coaches and parents/guardians. Our youth should have the ability to develop a love for the sport they participate in while also learning the value of sportsmanship. The Lower Loudoun Youth Football League (LLYFL) Family believes that all athletes, coaches, and parents/guardians play an essential role in the success of our program.

We believe that young athletes learn valuable life lessons by watching behaviors and attitudes of the adults that supervise their activities. We ask our LLYFL Football families to help us create a “positive learning environment” where athletes experience and learn the importance of good sportsmanship and teamwork, while learning the fundamentals of football.

***I hereby pledge to provide a positive, supportive, and caring environment for my player and other participants in youth sports, specifically Fall 2024 Tackle Football. I hereby pledge to encourage and adhere to the following listed below:***

- **COMMITMENT** – Football is an extracurricular sport that requires a lot of time during the Fall 2024 season. By committing to the Fall 2024 Tackle Football for LLYFL, your player is agreeing to prioritize Tackle Football over any other sport commitment.
- **PRACTICE** – Your player is required to attend all practices and games unless one of the excused reasons listed in the “Welcome Packet” document. If your player has missed 2 practices UNEXCUSED (no prior communication that the player will miss practice), they will NOT be eligible to play in the next scheduled game. If your player has missed 2 practices EXCUSED (prior communication was given that the player would miss practice), they will ONLY be eligible to receive their minimum plays in the next scheduled game. If your player cannot play during a game, your player will still be expected to attend their game to support the football team.
- **EQUIPMENT**– The LLYFL Tackle Football program will provide each player with a helmet, shoulder pads, game jersey and practice jersey. If any part of the equipment is not returned at the end of the season, your account will be charged with the full value of each item missing. All parents/guardians are responsible for providing your player with all other required football items during the Fall 2024 season. This includes protective cup (optional), football pants (with pads integrated), cleats, chin strap and mouthpiece. Your player’s Team Manager or coach will inform you of any requirements for the above items, as well as additional items.
- **GAMES** – All football players are expected to arrive at their game early in order to practice and prepare for the game. Your Team Manager/Coach will inform you of the exact time to be there for each game. All football players should arrive fully geared up and ready to practice.
- **SPORTSMANSHIP**– The highest level of sportsmanship is expected at ALL TIMES. This includes on and off the field, on social media, at school and at any LYFA field. All athletes will show respect to every participant, parent, coach, referee, board member and other spectators.
- **TRANSPORTATION** – It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to provide all transportation needs for your player to and from practices and games.
- **VOLUNTEERING** – This league is run by volunteers. As a parent/guardian, you must volunteer at least ONCE during the Fall 2024 season, unless the opt-out fee was completed at registration.

- **CONDUCT** – The LLYFL will NOT tolerate smoking, drinking alcohol or the use of drugs, foul language, fighting, unsportsmanlike conduct, bullying or smart mouthing while at any LYFA field or practice.
- **ACADEMIC SUSPENSION** – If you are suspended from school, you are suspended from practices and games during that suspension period. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian or the player to inform the coaches of any suspension.
- **SAFETY** – Safety is our NUMBER ONE PRIORITY. All football players will be expected to play unless stated otherwise. This means some football teams may play in colder/dreary temperatures. Plan accordingly!