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FAIR PLAY POLICY

The Dragons strongly adhere to the fair play concept and expect all members, players, coaches, volunteers and other participants to understand and practice this concept during Dragons' activities and events.

The Principles of Fair Play

- Respect for the rules of soccer
- Respect for referees and their decisions
- Respect for opponents
- Respect for teammates, coaches, and volunteers
- Equal participation
- Maintain your self control at all times

Fair Play Code for Coaches

- I will be reasonable when scheduling practices and remember that soccer players have other obligations.
- I will teach my players to play fairly and to respect the rules, the referees and opponents.
- I will ensure that all players get equal instruction, support and playing time.
- I will not ridicule, yell, or be negative toward any player or game official. I will remember that the players are here to enjoy themselves and must be encouraged to have confidence in themselves.
- I will make sure that equipment and facilities are safe.
- I will remember that my players deserve a coach they can respect. I will be generous with praise and set a good example in my dealings with players, other coaches and referees.
- If I disagree with an official, I will accept the decision and not argue the call.
- I will obtain proper training and continue to upgrade my coaching skills.



Fair Play Code for Players

- I will play soccer because I want to, not because my parents or coaches want me to.
- I will play by the rules.
- I will control my temper at all times. Fighting, arguing and “trash talking” are unacceptable.
- I will respect my opponents.
- I will be a team player.
- I will remember that winning isn’t everything. Having fun, improving skills, making friends, and doing my best are more important.
- I will acknowledge good plays by my teammates and opponents.
- I will remember that coaches and referees are here to help me. I will accept their decisions with respect.
- I will not dispute the referee’s call.

Fair Play Code for Parents

- I will not force my child to play soccer.
- I will remember that my child plays for their enjoyment, not mine.
- I will encourage my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to verbal abuse, hostility or violence.
- I will teach my child that trying their best is more important than winning so they will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game.
- I will make my child feel like a winner every time by offering praise not criticism.
- I will never ridicule or yell at any player, coach or referee for making a mistake or losing.
- I will applaud good plays/performances by my child’s team and their opponents. I will never question the judgment, methods or honesty of a coach or referee in public.
- I will support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from soccer activities.
- I will respect and show appreciation for all coaches and referees.