

ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY

Hall County Parks & Leisure, **aka HCPL**, has set certain behavior requirements for everyone that is a part of HCPL and to include everyone that attends an event or game that involves a HCPL team.

Please alert all parents, fans, coaches and athletes of these expectations - this is the only warning given:

I. Fans: Support your team!

- No person or derogatory remarks shall be directed to any players, coaches, fans, officials, or teams.
- Any physical contact with any players, coaches, fans, officials, or teams in a violent or aggressive manner will involve law enforcement.

II. Coaches: Set the Example!

- Insist that your players & fans demonstrate good sportsmanship toward the opposing team and the officials.
- Insist that all of your players shake hands after the game & demonstrate grace in winning & dignity in losing.
 - Do not teach, tolerate, or allow taunting of other teams, "trash taking," or foul language at any point.
- Lead by example: Compliment good plays by opposing players, shake hands with opposing coaches before and after the game, and do not get confrontational with officials, coaches, players, or fans.

III. Athletes: Show Respect!

- Do not engage in any form of "trash talking," foul language, or taunting, regardless of the score.
 - Do not engage in "fighting," as this could cause your ejection for one or more games.
- Do not leave your bench and encourage all other players to stay on the bench if any disruption occurs.
- Shake hands with the opposing coach before the game and with the opposing team after the game, thus demonstrating grace in winning & dignity in losing.

IV. Penalties:

Coaches:

A coach ejected from one game will automatically be suspended from the next game;
A second ejection during the season will result in an automatic suspension for the remainder of the season;
Serious misconduct could result in additional discipline.

Athletes:

An ejection for "trash talking", fighting, or for two technical fouls will result in an automatic suspension of an athlete from the next game, and possible further discipline.

A second ejection for "trash talking", fighting, or for two technical fouls during the same season will result in a suspension for the remainder of that season.

Serious misconduct could result in additional discipline.

Fans:

Ejection from a game for misbehavior will result in your suspension from the current game;
A second ejection from a game will result in your suspension for the remainder of that season.

Any physical contact with officials, coaches, or opposing players or parents will cause law enforcement to be brought in for possible criminal prosecution, and you may be permanently banned from attending games.

All:

All offenses & penalties is at the discretion of Hall County Parks & Leisure Services. Continued misconduct by a team, or its Coaches and/or fans, as a last resort, can result in forfeit.

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