



# YFL CODE OF CONDUCT

**AS A PARENT, COACH or ADMINISTRATOR**, I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care, and encouragement for my child and/or the athletes in youth sports by following this Code of Ethics & Conduct:

- 1) I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, and officials at every game, practice, or other youth sports event.
- 2) I will insist that my child and/or the athletes play in a safe and healthy environment.
- 3) I will require that my child's coaches, or those with whom I am working, be trained in the responsibilities of being a youth sports coach and that coaches uphold this Code of Conduct.
- 4) I will support coaches and officials working with my child and/or participant athletes, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all in a sports environment that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- 5) I will remember that the game is for youth participants and athletes - not the adults.
- 6) I will do my very best to make youth sports fun for my child and the athletes recognizing that winning is not the goal - teaching my child and the athletes the importance of team work and discipline is first and foremost. I will ask my child and the athletes treat other players, coaches, fans, and officials with respect regardless of race, sex, creed or ability and I will refrain from cursing, vulgar language and any other detrimental or unsportsmanlike conduct.
- 7) I will help my child and the athletes enjoy the youth sports experience by doing whatever I can, such as being a respectful fan, assisting with coaching, or providing transportation.
- 8) I understand that there will be an admission fee to attend games.
- 9) I understand volunteering will be a requirement. Game day is the time where we need most of our volunteers. We thank you in advance for contributing to the YFL.
- 10) I will adhere to the 24hr rule and give time to cool off before responding to an issue. I will refrain from blast emailing my comments.

**AS AN ATHLETE AND PARTICIPANT**, I understand commitment, hard work and dedication will be required by me before I can wear the colors of the team. Being a member of the team means much more than just learning about and playing football or being a cheerleader. As an athlete, both on and off the field, I am a representative of the association and expected to act accordingly no matter what the circumstances.

- 1) I understand as an Athlete I am to maintain a passing grade average during the season or risk being benched or dismissed from the Organization. Grade checks may be performed at random.
- 2) I understand I am to maintain good citizenship. Fighting, misconduct, vulgar or derogatory language, cursing or disrespect can lead to being dismissed from the Organization. Any athlete who has an altercation at school or with law enforcement authorities or is observed displaying conduct (Anytime, Anywhere) below the acceptable standards of an athlete may face dismissal from the Team or YFL.
- 3) I understand Athletes are responsible for notifying their coach if they will be absent from a practice or game. Missing a practice or game will hurt both my team and may be reason for not playing in games. If I have too many absences, I may be dismissed from the team.
- 4) I am expected to come to practices and games prepared and ready to give 100%. An athlete may be benched at a practice or dismissed because of too many absences, not giving 100%, not knowing plays or routines or not following the rules of the Organization.
- 5) I will treat all coaches, teammates, officials, and adult authority figures with respect.
- 6) I am responsible for the maintenance of my equipment and uniforms. Uniforms must be washed on a regular basis. Report all equipment problems to your coach immediately. If I lose my uniform or equipment I am financially responsible to replace it. I must wear a protective mouthpiece in all practices or games. The mouthpiece must be attached via a tether to the facemask on the helmet.
- 7) I agree to follow all general rules in accordance with my team and the YFL.  
I/We, have read, understand, agree, and will abide by the above. I/We have voluntarily signed, understanding if I violate this Code of Conduct I am subject to immediate termination or suspension from Team & YFL.

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Coach/Administrator Signature Print Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature Print Date

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Player/Participant Signature Print Date