



Parents/Guardians and Guests Code of Conduct

**For the purpose of this document, "We" includes the player's parents/guardians, siblings, other family members and guests*

The SRA Program strives to provide a positive youth sport experience by encouraging parents, coaches, officials, and other league players to demonstrate good sportsmanship at practices and games.

All parents/guardians, siblings, other family members and their guests are to conduct themselves in an orderly and positive fashion towards all players, coaches, officials and SRA Board of Directors, Commissioners and Volunteers. Failure to meet or abide by these rules at the discretion of the league may be cause for removal from the game or practice and may include mandatory team forfeiture of a game. If ejected by umpire or board member there will be a mandatory one-game suspension. If ejected from a second game, there will be a mandatory suspension from all SRA events for the remainder of the season.

1. We **will** be positive role models and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice, or any other related event.
2. We **will** not encourage or participate in any unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player or parent or guest, such as booing and/or taunting, using profane language or gestures, or any negative social media posts.
3. We **will** respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed-upon time and place. We **will** apply the "24 Hour Rule" before having a respectful, private conversation. If I find I am not satisfied after speaking with my coach, I understand I should then contact the Commissioner responsible for the league.
4. We **will** teach our child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts in a sportsmanlike manner.
5. We **will** teach our child that doing one's best is most important, so that our child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or by his/her performance.
6. We **will** recognize that our child's coach is a volunteer and deserves our support. This includes supporting the coach's decisions regarding playing time and game management.
7. We **will** only make positive and encouraging comments to players, fans and coaches from both teams. We will not interfere or coach from the stands.
8. We **will** remember that we are Youth Sports Program spectators and **will** remember the game is for the children and not the adults.
9. We **will** accept the results of the game. We will encourage our child to be a good sport in victory and in defeat. *Many times, a player will not remember the results of a game an hour later, but they will remember how they felt because of their own actions and your actions.*
10. We **will** ensure that our child's playing environment is free from drugs, tobacco (Inc. e-cigs or perceived tobacco products), and alcohol, and we **will** refrain from their use at the sports event, including at or within the vicinity of the playing or practice fields. This is a zero-tolerance policy.
11. We **will** avoid coming to any SRA event while noticeably under the influence of alcoholic beverages or any impairing substance.
12. We **will** help enforce this code and other SRA rules (e.g. safety rules) by reporting observed incidences to the Coach, League Commissioner, or any member of the Board of Directors.