

2025 GCKA Football League Parent's Code of Conduct

Player's Name: _____ Team: _____

I will be responsible for my behavior as well as for the behavior of those who attend the game/practices as my guest. I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care, and encouragement for my child participating in youth sports by following this Parent's Code of Ethics Pledge.

1. Abide by a doctor's decision in all matters of players health and injuries and physical ability to play.
 - o I will become familiar with the recommended 'Heads Up' concussion information provided by the CDC @ <http://www.cdc.gov/headsup/basics/index.html>
2. I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, and official at every game, practice or other youth sports events.
3. I will place the emotional and physical well-being for all players ahead of a personal desire to win.
4. I will be in control of my emotions, and will be a respectable fan.
5. I will remain in the spectator area during games/practices.
6. I will insist that my child play in a safe and healthy environment.
7. I will support coaches and official working with my child, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
8. I will **not** advise the coach on how to do their job, and I will address any issues before or after practice.
9. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and will refrain from their use at all youth sports events. I will not drink alcohol at a game/practice or come to one, having drunk too much.
10. I will remember that the game is for our youth – NOT ADULTS – and that participation in youth sports is a privilege, not a right.
11. I will show respect for all participants at all times.
12. I will not coach my child from the sidelines during the game/practice.
13. I will ask my child to treat all other players, coaches, fans, and officials with respect.
14. I will not make insulting comments to players, parents, officials, or coaches of either team.
15. I will require that my child's coach be trained in the responsibilities of being a youth sport coach and that the coach upholds the Coaches Code of Ethics.
16. I will make sure that all issued equipment is maintained and returned in the best possible condition.
 - o I understand if I do not return the equipment issued to my player, that I will be responsible for reimbursing GCKA for its cost before I am to register again.

I agree that if I fail to abide by the aforementioned rules and guidelines, I will be subject to disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Documented verbal warning by ANY game day official, Head Coach, any Advisory Board Member.
2. Written warning by ANY game day official, Head Coach, any Advisory Board Member to be kept on file.
3. Suspension with written documentation of incident kept on file by organizations involved based on an incident review by the Football Advisory Board.
4. Game forfeit based on an incident review by the Football Advisory Board.
5. Season suspension, based on an incident review by the Football Advisory Board.
6. Permanent expulsion from GCKA based on an incident review by the Football Advisory Board, and the GCKA Personnel committee.

I have read the above Code of Conduct and agree to uphold the agreement. I understand that it is my responsibility to make those attending GCKA Football events with me or for me, that they too understand the Code of Conduct and that they will be held to the same standards as I am.

Signature: _____ Date: _____