

# Sportsmanship Pledge & Discipline Procedure

## Middle School After School Sports Program

### **Parents' Sportsmanship Pledge**

*I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care, and encouragement for my child participating in youth sports by following this Parents' Sportsmanship Pledge.*

- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, and officials at every game and practice.
- I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my child ahead of a personal desire to win.
- I will insist that my child play in a safe and healthy environment.
- I will support coaches and officials working with my child in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
- 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 remember that the game is for youth – not for adults.
- I will do my best to make youth sports fun for my child.
- I understand my child or I must notify a coach within 24 hours of my student's excused absence or my student will not participate in the next competition.
- I will ask my child to treat other players, coaches, fans and officials with respect, regardless of race, sex, creed, or ability.

### **Players' Sportsmanship Pledge**

*I hereby pledge to be positive about my youth sports experience and accept responsibility for my participation by following this Player's Sportsmanship Pledge.*

- I will be safe, respectful, and responsible.
- I will encourage good sportsmanship from fellow players, coaches, officials and parents at every game and practice by demonstrating good sportsmanship.
- I will attend every practice and game that I can and will notify my coach if I cannot.
- I will expect to receive a fair and equal amount of playing time.
- I will do my very best to listen and learn from my coaches.
- I will treat coaches, other players, officials and fans with respect regardless of race, sex, creed, or abilities and will expect to be treated accordingly.
- I deserve to have fun during my sports experience and will alert parents or coaches if it stops being fun!
- I deserve to play in an environment that is free of drugs, tobacco and alcohol, and expect adults to refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- I will do my very best in school.
- I will remember that sports are an opportunity to learn and have fun.
- I will remain on the school premises during practices and competitions.
- I will check in with the coordinator if I need to leave the playing area.

### **Discipline Procedure**

*It is the intent of Hillsboro Parks and Recreation to provide a safe environment for persons participating in any recreational activity. The three-step discipline procedure is:*

- 1<sup>st</sup> Offense: Verbal warning. Participant behavior must improve or face removal from program. Notify parent.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Offense: Warn participant again. Participant behavior must improve or face removal from program. Inform them they cannot participate in the next interschool competition. If there are no more competitions left during the season, they cannot participate in the next practice. Notify parent.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Offense: Remove the participant from the sports program. Notify parent to discuss the removal.

### **I accept the Sportsmanship Pledge & Discipline Procedure.**

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Parent Signature & Date

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Participant Signature & Date