



Ripon Knights Youth Football & Cheer Parent and Player Code of Conduct

Ripon Knights Youth Football & Cheer strives to provide a safe, fun learning environment for our athletes. We will do our best to create an opportunity for kids to work together as a team toward common goals. We emphasize sportsmanship, teamwork, responsibility, commitment, respect, and accountability.

Ripon Knights Youth Football & Cheer will not tolerate verbal or physical abuse of its volunteers, coaches, referees, or players from any parent, player, or spectator. Should a player's family member or guest be found in violation of the code of conduct The Board of Directors has the right and authority to suspend, ban, expel, or otherwise discipline the **parent and/or player**.

Parents Code or Guardian of Conduct

1. I will not force my child to participate in sports.
2. I will remember that children participate to have fun.
3. I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
4. I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league.
5. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials, and spectators at games, practices, and any other events.
6. I (and my guests) **WILL NOT** engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures.
7. I **WILL NOT** encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well being of the athletes.
8. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve any conflict without resorting to hostility or violence.
9. I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials, and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex, or ability.
10. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.
11. I will never yell at or ridicule my child or other participants for making a mistake or losing a competition. I will emphasize skill development and practice and how they benefit my child over winning.
12. I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I have for my child to win.
13. I will respect 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.
14. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all sporting events.
15. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches on the team.

Player Code of Conduct

1. I will demonstrate good sportsmanship and respect for other players, coaches, parents and officials.
2. I will do my best to listen and learn from coaches
3. I will attend every practice and game that I can and will notify my coach if I cannot.
4. I understand that any absence from practice may result in reduced or no playing time that week.
5. I will do my best in school and understand that school comes before sports.
6. I will not use profanity or taunt other players.
7. I will not purposely engage in an act to physically hurt another.
8. I will always be a good teammate that will show support and never criticize others.
9. I understand that if I bully others I will be immediately removed from the team.
10. I understand that any inappropriate/insensitive social media posts may cause an immediate removal from the team.

Player Name _____ Level _____

Player Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____