

SPORT PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

We, the White Salmon Township of Hood River Little League, have implemented the following Sport Parent Code of conduct for the important message it holds about the proper role of parents in supporting their child in sports. The parents should read, understand and sign this form prior to their children participating in our league.

Any parent guilty of improper conduct at any game or practice will be asked to leave the sports facility and be suspended from the following game. Repeat violations may cause a best is

multiple game suspension, or the season forfeiture of the privilege of attending all games. never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.

PREAMBLE
The essential elements of character-building and ethics in sports and embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core principles:

- **Trustworthiness,**
- **Respect,**
- **Responsibility,**
- **Fairness,**
- **Caring, and**
- **Good Citizenship.**

The highest potential of sports in achievement when competition reflects these "six pillars of character."

I THEREFORE AGREE:

1. I will not force my child to participate in sports.
2. I will remember that the children participate to have fun and the game is for youth, not adults.
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 rule of the game and the policies of the league.
5. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child encourage sportsmanship by showing respect, and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials, and spectators at every game, practice or other sporting event.
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 conflicts without 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

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 praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner every time.

12. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake or losing competition.

13. I will emphasize skill development and practices and how they benefit my child over winning. I will also de-emphasize games and competition in the lower age groups.

14. I will promote the emotional and physical well being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.

15. I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will not question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.

16. I will address any issues with coaches, officials, by going to concession stand and ask for phone number(s) of the board member(s) available that evening, as well as an official complaint form. All complaints have to be accompanied with completed form of complaint.

17. 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 sports events.

18. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practice, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Player Name: _____

THANK YOU FOR THE POSITIVE SUPPORT OF YOUR CHILD, OUR COMMUNITIES YOUTH, OUR COACHES, OUR MANAGERS, OUR PARENTS, AND ALL THE OFFICIALS, AND VOLUNTEERS OF THIS PROGRAM.