



Arsenal F.C.

Player/Parent Code of Conduct

2020 - 2021 Season

Players:

1. Players will demonstrate positive sportsmanship on and off of the field. This includes exercising positive self-control, graciously accepting the outcome of games and treating all players and fans with courtesy and respect.
2. Players will demonstrate respect for all players and coaches in behavior and language. Profanity will not be tolerated.
3. Players will demonstrate respect for officials, in part by accepting their decisions. Insulting comments, arguing, gestures and profanity directed at officials will not be tolerated.
4. Players will practice and work on skill development as is appropriate for the age and competitive level of play for the team.
5. Players will positively represent the Arsenal F.C. (AFC) on and off the field at home and away on both recreational and competitive teams.
6. Players will understand the rules of the game as appropriate for age and competitive level of the team.
7. Players, in coordination with parents, are responsible for timely notification of absences from games, practices and training to the coach or manager of the team as determined by the team.
8. Violence and abuse of any nature will not be tolerated.
9. Players are prohibited from the use of alcohol, illegal drugs and tobacco products while a member of AFC.

Parents:

1. Encourage positive sportsmanship by example. Remind fellow parents if they get inappropriately carried away with their emotions during the game. Accept these reminders graciously when offered by other parents.
2. Be supportive--unconditionally--accept wins and losses. The last the child wants to hear from you after a disappointing performance or loss is what they did wrong.
3. Do not coach. Leave the coaching to the coaches.
4. Emphasize skill development over winning. Take time to help your kids practice their skills and drills at home.
5. Interact positively with parents of opposing team. Set a good example for players indicating you can compete assertively and still be respectful.
6. Be welcoming to all team families on and off the field. Minimize gossip and criticism of teammates, other players and coaches.
7. Support officials--do not criticize vocally during games. Leave any issues with the game officials to your coach.
8. Support the team and club. Volunteer during tournaments, participate in fundraisers, etc.
9. Please review the practice and game schedules in advance. Notify your coach of any conflicts so they are aware that your player will not be participating on a given day.
10. Encourage your child to have fun and enjoy his/her teammates and the competition.



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By signing below, I have read and understand the Code of Conduct and understand that the expectations apply to behavior on and off of the field at games and at practices. I agree to abide by the Code guidelines at all team and league activities. I understand that if I do not follow this Code of Conduct, I may be asked to leave the league/club activity (such as a game or practice), or may be asked to withdraw my child from the league or team.

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Parent Signature

Date

Player Signature

