

# TREASURE COAST ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

## PARENT/VOLUNTEER CODE OF CONDUCT



### 1.0 ROLE OF THE PARENT/VOLUNTEER

The Treasure Coast Athletic Association cannot operate without the active involvement of all participants. Because the role of the parent/volunteer is so great in determining the success of the league, the parent/volunteer shall conduct him/herself, both on and off the field, in a manner that reflects responsibility. The parent/volunteer, at all times, shall try to instill in the youth of TCAA League the following Sportsmanship Code:

#### THE SPORTSMANSHIP CODE

**Develop a strong, clean, healthy body, mind and soul.**

**Develop a strong urge for sportsman-like conduct.**

**Develop courage in defeat, tolerance and modesty in victory.**

**Develop control over emotions and speech.**

**Develop spirit of cooperation and team play.**

**Develop into real, true citizens.**

### 2.0 GENERAL CODE OF CONDUCT AND RULES

I will remember that the game is for the youth – not the adults.

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

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, officials, and spectators at every game, practice or other youth's sport event.

I (and my guests) will refrain from any unsportsmanlike behavior such as booing, using profane language or gestures, threatening or striking of any fashion.

I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or others.

I will respect the 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.

I will place the emotional and physical well being of my child ahead of a personal desire to win.

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 ask my child to treat other players, coaches, fans and officials with respect regardless of race, sex, creed or ability.

### **3.0 DISCIPLINARY ACTION FOR NON-ADHERENCE**

All offenses will receive a verbal warning prior to taking action.

1. Use of Tobacco products on park property during games or practices.

First violation: One game suspension.

Second violation: Suspension for rest of the year (Regular & Post).

2. Use of or under influence of drugs or alcohol during games or practices.

First violation: Suspension for rest of the year (Regular & Post).

3. Any verbal abuse, threats or actual physical harm towards players ,umpires/officials, coaches or fans.

First violation: Suspension for rest of the year (Regular & Post).

4. Failure to follow the Cal Ripken/Babe Ruth rules and associated specific TCAA league rules.

First violation: One game suspension and Board review.

Second violation: Suspension for rest of the year (Regular & Post).

5. Parents/Volunteers shall not indulge in conduct which will incite players or spectators against the umpires. Public criticism of umpires or players is not tolerated.

First violation: One game suspension and Board review.

Second violation: Suspension for rest of the year (Regular & Post).

