

Batesville Kiwanis Youth Football League

CODE OF CONDUCT

2011

The purpose of the Code is to have a uniform set of expectations that can be conveyed to all men, women and children who desire to be a part of the Batesville Kiwanis Youth Football League.

Parents shall:

- Understand that the coach is the coach, not you. Your role is to be supportive of both the player and coach.
- Not criticize players or coaches in front of spectators or other participants, but reserve constructive criticism for later, in private.
- Accept decisions of the game officials as being fair and called to the best ability of the officials.
- Not criticize an opposing team, its players, coaches or fans by word of mouth or by gesture.
- Not incite unsportsmanlike conduct or use abusive or profane language and/or gestures at any time.
- Parents are not allowed on the field during regular play, unless as an approved coach (Four field coaches per team)

Players shall:

- Be respectful by word and action to coaches, officials and opponents.
- Display good sportsmanship in practice and games. No after play, tackle or end zone demonstrations.
- Be a team player in practice and games.

Coaches

- Any coach will be of good moral character and shall in no way use profane language or alcohol during practices or games they are participating in.
- A coach may critique a child's performance in a positive way, but they may never degrade a child personally.
- A coach will not show disrespect to a parent of a participating child, even if a parent has been disrespectful to the coach (parents - see above).
- A coach will not be disrespectful to any official. Mistakes will be made - deal with it.
- A coach cannot openly criticize another coach of the association. If there is a conflict, the coach harboring the conflict must contact the League officials to resolve the issue.
- A coach may not contact a player from any team other than his own from a previous season. Contacting any player from another team prior to being selected as a coach will eliminate a person's eligibility of becoming a coach. Contacting any player from another team after being selected as a head coach will result in removal as a coach and expulsion from the league.
- Coaches must follow the practice plan as set by their local association.
- Not smoke and/or use smokeless tobacco on any field or in any facility.
- Abstain from the possession and drinking of alcoholic beverages and the possession or use of any illegal substance.

The purpose of this League is to teach fundamentals and skills. It is not about your ego as a coach or your child as a star. We are building positive young lives and developing the love of the game and learning the benefits of working as a team. Our intent is to provide the player tools necessary for 7th grade football programs.

I/We agree to abide by the Batesville Kiwanis Youth Football League Code of Conduct. I understand that should I/we violate this code, I/we will be asked to leave the event. If the violations are serious, I/we may be suspended or expelled from the League.

_____ Date: _____
Coach (print name) signature

"The impact you have on the children is great and lasting, more than you'll ever know. You may never know, so make it positive." ~ John Madden