

# Anderson Youth Soccer League

## Parent Code of Conduct

Anderson Youth Soccer League strives to provide recreational, instructional and competitive soccer opportunities for all AYSL youth. We strive to foster good sportsmanship, skilled development, community commitment and a love of the game. The League needs the cooperation and commitment of everyone involved with the League in support of our mission.

**Your child's success or lack of success in sports does not indicate what kind of parent you are... but having an athlete that is coachable, respectful, a great teammate, mentally tough, resilient and tries their best IS a direct reflection of your parenting.**

The AYSL Board of Directors has established Codes of Conduct for all Coaches, Players and Parents/Guardians, which must be reviewed and accepted prior to participation in any AYSL related activities. These rules will help ensure all members of the League contribute to providing the best possible environment for our players.

As a parent / guardian of an AYSL player, I therefore agree to the following:

1. I will encourage my child to participate in the League and honor his/her commitment to the program.
2. I will remember that the purpose of the game is for children to participate and have fun.
3. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by demonstrating respect, courtesy, and positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or other event.
4. I am responsible for the conduct of any guests I bring to my child's game, practice or other event and will ensure that they adhere to the rules and guidelines set forth in this Code.
5. I will require that my child treat all players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect.
6. I will praise my child for doing their best and will emphasize skill development and practices over winning games.
7. I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront officials at the game field.
8. I will respect the coaches and their authority during games and will never question, discuss or confront coaches at the game field. Instead, if necessary I will arrange with the coach(es) an appropriate time and place to speak.
9. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all AYSL events.
10. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.
11. I understand that it is solely my parental responsibility to ensure that my child safely arrives and departs practices and/or games.

I agree that if I fail to abide by the aforementioned rules and guidelines, disciplinary action could include, but is not limited to, the following:

- | Verbal warning by official, head coach, and/or leadership of league organization
- | Written warning
- | Parental game suspension with written documentation of incident kept on file by organizations involved
- | Game forfeit through the official or coach
- | Parental season suspension
- | Removal of player from all club activities for up to an entire season.