



HEBER SPRINGS PARKS AND RECREATION

COACHES AND PARENTS CODE OF CONDUCT

The HSP&R department has implemented the following Code of Conduct for both Coaches and Parents as a method for promoting the important message concerning the proper role of supporting our children in sports. Coaches and Parents should read, understand, and agree to the content in this form prior to interacting with children participating in any HSP&R league.

I therefore agree:

- 1. I will not force a child to participate in sports.**
- 2. I will remember that children participate in sports to have fun and that the game is for youths, not adults.**
- 3. I will remember that coaches for this program are volunteers, and that not all coaches possess the same level of basketball knowledge.**
- 4. I will abide by all policies established by the HSP&R.**
- 5. I, and my guests, will be a positive role model for my child/team and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials, and spectators at every game and team practice.**
- 6. I, and my guests, will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with an official, umpire, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting, refusing to shake hands, or using profanity.**
- 7. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well being of the athletes.**
- 8. I will praise the children for competing fairly and trying hard and make the children feel like a winner every time.**
- 9. I will never ridicule or yell at any child for making a mistake or losing a game.**
- 10. I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of my own desire to win.**
- 11. I will respect the umpires and coaches and their authority during the game. If I disagree with a call I agree to discuss the issue with the HSP&R at an agreed place and time absent of children. At no time will this take place during the game.**
- 12. I WILL NEVER LEAVE A CHILD UNSUPERVISED FOR GAMES OR PRACTICES.**
- 13. I WILL REFRAIN FROM COACHING MY CHILD OR OTHER PLAYERS DURING GAMES AND PRACTICES UNLESS ASKED TO DO SO BY THE COACHING STAFF. EVERYTHING FROM FANS, PARENTS, AND SPECTATORS, DURING THE GAME SHOULD BE ENCOURAGEMENT TO ATHLETES.**
- 14. ALL QUESTIONS, CONCERNS AND ISSUES ARE TO BE DIRECTED TO THE RIC IF THE ATHLETIC COORDINATOR IS NOT PRESENT.**
- 15. ABSOLUTELY NO CHILDREN ARE TO BE LEFT UNATTENDED. CHILDREN WILL NOT BE PERMITTED ON BE UPSTAIRS OR ON THE TRACK.**
- 16. I UNDERSTAND THAT IF I DO NOT FOLLOW THESE RULES I MAY BE ASKED TO REMOVE MYSELF FROM THE PARK BY THE HSP&R.**

Player Name _____ Coach _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Print Name _____

