

Tri-County Youth Football Parents'/Players' Contract

(You are required to read this document in its entirety & sign below)

This contract provides you with information and a guideline for your responsibilities. It will help you to allow your child to play his own game and enjoy their participation in the Tri-County Youth Football Program. As a parent, part of enjoying your child's participation in competitive sports is watching them enjoy the game, develop skills and discipline, improve their performance and, of course, to have fun.

Unfortunately, some parents get caught up in the excitement and action. They forget that the sport is for the kids' benefit, not the parents' entertainment. Unruly parents / family members are not setting a good example and kids learn from example. This behavior affects the coaches' and refs' ability to do a good job. It can embarrass the players, steal their fun and potentially lead to violence.

The experience for your child to enjoy the game of football should outweigh all your emotions as a parent / family member.

Required Guidelines:

- * I will remember that my child plays sports for his own enjoyment, not mine
- * I will teach my child to play by the rules of the game and resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence
- * I will always maintain self control and emotional discipline at all events
- * I will not attend any event under the influence of alcohol or drugs
- * I will speak with the coaching staff in private should I have any questions, comments or concerns regarding MY CHILD. I will not ask to discuss another player
- * I will leave coaching duties to the coaches. If I have a problem with a coach, I will ask for a private meeting with the head coach and / or the commissioner
- * I will respect the decisions made by the coaches and officials at all times. I will leave it up to the coaches to argue any questionable calls by the refs
- * I will support my child and his teammates in the most positive way possible
- * I will make no derogatory comments, gestures to the opposing teams' players, parents or coaches

Should I deliberately ignore my responsibilities as a parent, I may be subject to disciplinary action (e.g. asked to leave an event, banned from future events). I PROMISE to uphold my parental responsibility to influence my child in positive ways and remain an active and supportive role in my child's development at all times.

Parent / Guardian Signatures: _____

Date : _____

The following must be read to the player and signed by his/her parents

This contract and following guideline are in place to make you a better person, athlete and to promote the image of OUR football program. By being part of OUR football program, there will be high standards placed on you.

If you cannot follow our conduct guide, then you will be disciplined or dismissed.

Our general rule is: Do what is right. Do your best. Treat others as you want to be treated.

Expected Football Conduct:

- * Be on time for all events and activities. The team will not wait on you
- * Practice hard at game tempo. We will not coach poor attitudes
- * Pull for your teammates, even if they are having a bad day. Yours may be tomorrow
- * Be coach-able. Keep an open mind and a good attitude
- * Accept your role on the team. If you do not like it, work harder to change it
- * Do not transfer blame or make excuses
- * Do not question coaches on the field, ever. If there is a misunderstanding ask to talk with the coach one-on-one, in private.
- * Disrespect for coaches and other players will not be tolerated
- * Bullying will not be tolerated
- * Lead by example: on and off the field
- * Good grades in school are expected
- * Be a 'team player'
- * Set a high standard for your teammates and for the future of Tri-County Youth Football.
Do not do anything to embarrass yourself, your family, the program, and the coaches.
- * Show respect and humility

Should I deliberately ignore my responsibilities, as a player, I may be subject to disciplinary action (e.g. asked to leave an event, banned from future events). I PROMISE to uphold my responsibilities as a player for Tri-County Youth Football. I PROMISE to do what is right, to do my best and to treat others with respect.

Player's Name: _____

Date: _____

Parent / Guardian Signature : _____