



## 2019-20 PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

- I will not force my child to participate in hockey. I will try to make it FUN! I will remember that my child plays hockey for his or her enjoyment, not mine.
- I will encourage my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflict without resorting to hostility or violence.
- I will teach my child that doing one's best is as important as winning so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of the game. I will make my child feel like a winner every time by offering praise for competing fairly and hard.
- I will never ridicule or yell at my child for making a mistake or losing a game and I will remember that children learn by example. I will applaud good plays by both my child's team and their opponents. I will not be critical of, or embarrass any player, including opposition players.
- I will never question the official's judgment or honesty in public. I recognize that officials are being developed in the same manner as players and I will respect and show appreciation for the volunteers who give their time to hockey for my child.
- I will never yell, taunt, threaten or inflict physical violence upon any player, coach, official or spectator at any youth hockey event. I will refrain from the use of abusive or vulgar language, racial, ethnic or gender related slurs at any time at the rink or any youth hockey function. I will support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from youth hockey games.
- I will leave the coaching to the coaching staff. I will encourage my child to play in a manner consistent with the team's strategy or plans and I will emphasize skill development and a serious approach to practices and explain how skill development will benefit my child.
- I will attempt to learn about the game of hockey (USA Hockey rules, equipment, levels, skills, etc.) so that I may best support my child's development in the game.
- I will not throw objects of any kind on the ice, or lean over and pound on the glass.
- I will communicate all and any concerns regarding inappropriate behavior to the Team Manager, Coach, Coaching Director, ACE (Association Coaching Education) Coordinator or local youth hockey association representative.
- I will insist that my child plays in a safe and healthy environment. I will support a sports environment that is free of alcohol, drugs or tobacco and I will refrain from their use at all youth sports events. I understand the benefits from participating in a team sport, the commitment, the discipline and the social skills learned and acquired.

I have read and understand the Parent/Player Handbook. I have read and understand the above Code of Conduct and agree to abide by its guidelines at all team and league activities. I understand that if I do not follow this Code of Conduct, it may result in disciplinary action including the administration of penalties such as suspension, expulsion, forfeiture of AFHA membership and/or participation in practice, games, tournaments and/or other AFHA functions and I may be asked to leave the league activity (such as a game or practice).

Parent / Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_ Team \_\_\_\_\_