

Union Grove Youth Football Organization

Parent Code of Conduct

As acknowledged in Registration Form

Playing for UGYFO requires a commitment to one's self and one's team. To be most effective, players must be dedicated to practicing, working hard, and performing the responsibilities of a player on and off the field. Likewise, parents must be committed to supporting their child and putting them in the best position for success.

When a youth player puts on their Union Grove football jersey, they are representing themselves, the program, the High School Football program and the community in general. High profile representation such as this requires a player to behave in a manner that reflects positively on their selves, their team, the program and the community. The rules and expectations are not any different for parents.

PARENT'S CODE OF CONDUCT

1. I will NOT be a sideline coach or referee. I will limit my comments to positive reinforcement and encouragement to my child and his teammates.
2. I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my child ahead of a personal desire to win. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than any other outcome. Winning should be the result of preparation, hard work and discipline.
3. I will encourage my child to participate by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence and praise my child for trying hard and competing fairly.
4. I will never ridicule or yell at my child, other participants, coaches or officials. I will not use profanity, nor will I harass any participants, coaches, officials, or other spectators. I will cheer for everyone and avoid booing at all costs.
5. I will respect and show appreciation for the volunteer directors, coaches and officials who give their time to my child. I understand that all officials do their utmost to be impartial; they try their best to provide a safe and suitable framework so that the game is well played, and I will respect their decisions. I will not question any official's calls, bias or judgment.
6. I will support coaches and officials working with my child, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all. I will not "assist" the coach by yelling instructions at participants unless asked by the coach.
7. I will remember that these participants are amateurs that cannot be judged by the standards of a professional team.
8. I will show respect for any opponents, because without them there would be no game.

9. I will remember that my child participates in sports for his/her enjoyment and not mine. I will not force my child to participate in any sports program they do not wish to be in. I will remember that the game is for children and not for adults and will do my very best to make football fun for my child and his teammates.
10. I promise to help my child enjoy the youth sports experience within my personal constraints by being a respectful fan, providing transportation, or whatever I am capable of doing. If my child develops a behavior-related problem that repeatedly disrupts practice and/or games, I promise to work with my child's coach to resolve the problem.

I will remember that as a fan, I represent the Union Grove Youth Football Organization. I understand that any concerns about officiating and/or coaching during a game must be directed to the team manager. I also understand that poor behavior during practices, games, may result in expulsion from the football complex, where I must wait next to my car in the parking area for my child. If this occurs, it may result in expulsion from the club.

I hereby pledge to be positive about my youth football experience and accept responsibility for my participation by following this Code of Conduct.

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