

ESPWF&C PARENT'S ROLE – CODE OF CONDUCT

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

1. Positions and Playing Time - Football is a mentally and physically demanding sport. Cheer is a demanding and athletically dynamic sport. Your Players will be evaluated through their ability to command basic football/cheer skills. Body type, agility, foot speed and quickness will also be evaluated in determining position of play. Additionally, the ability to learn, understand and recall position skill progressions and scheme will also play a factor in the assessment of your player's position. Playing time will be evaluated on experience and the ability to adapt and apply football skills to team strategy and the differing scenarios presented during practice and contest play.

2. Parent Responsibilities

- a) Parents / guardians are expected to support our, mission, philosophy and policies. Failure on the part of parents/guardians to do so will result in the removal of their son/daughter from the athletic program.
- b) Parents must ensure the completion of medical exams and release forms, eligibility and athletic participation requirements.
- c) Parents/guardians whose behavior at athletic events is not consistent with the "Code of Conduct" of the program may be asked by a coach or administrator to refrain from such behavior. **Repeated refusal to comply with such requests may result in the removal of the Players from the program. Parents may be suspended and/or banned from participating by a majority vote of board personnel.**
- d) Parents must attend contests. Your attendance means you acknowledge your son's/daughter's work, effort and support his/her role on the team.
- e) Parents will be asked to volunteer to help with daily, weekly and game day logistics and management. Parents are required to notify the coach of any scheduled conflicts well in advance.
- f) Parents must have players at practice on time and pick them up from practice in a timely manner.
- g) Parents must understand and accept their roles as parents. Their commitment is not an entitlement to direct the program. It is inappropriate to discuss with a coach:
 - i. Playing time
 - ii. Team strategy or play calling
 - iii. Other coaches or Players in the program.

3. Contact procedure - Never approach a coach before or after a practice or contest unless the coach makes this request.

- a) Player discusses issue with coach directly. Follow up meeting with parent will be determined by coach if warranted for notice or additional discussion.
- b) Parent makes an appointment with the coach if follow up is not initiated or feels is needed (Please refer to letter G parent responsibilities section. These topics will not be discussed)
- c) If the coach cannot be reached via email/phone; call the Athletic Director to set up an appointment.