



COACHES PLEDGE

CODE OF ETHICS

As a Coach I understand that I must abide by the following behavioral standards to remain in good standing. I understand that my appointment as a coach is on a season by season basis.

I understand that any inappropriate behavior can result in the loss of a coaching position at any time during the season, for any period of time determined by the Linganore Youth Football Commissioner and/or the LOUYAA board members.

I agree (or promise) to:

- Never knowingly permit an ineligible player to play on my team or withhold information from another coach or organization concerning potentially ineligible players on their team
- Conduct myself and do my best to ensure that my assistant coaches, players, spectators and supporters conduct themselves in a manner that is consistent with good sportsmanship - before, during and after every game.
- Make every effort to improve my knowledge of coaching techniques so that I can teach the sport properly to my players.
- Never schedule other league games or scrimmages that conflict with the regular season and/or make-up games.
- Conduct a Team meeting to provide my team's parents with my coaching philosophy and practice/game approach.
- Never harass the game officials in any manner
- Treat these game officials with respect and ensure that my players, spectators and supporters do the same
- Provide assistance to game officials to ensure the game is played within the spirit of good sportsmanship and by the rules
- Keep my players and their parents informed about the rules, schedules and other league-related information
- Understand and adhere to the LYF Minimum Play Policy for my age group. Understand that violations of this policy will be as follows:
 - 1st Violation – verbal warning
 - 2nd Violation– 1 week suspension from all football coaching activities
 - 3rd Violation – removal as Head Coach
- Ensure that my players are supervised by myself or another designate adult and never allow my players to be left unattended or unsupervised at a game or practice.



- Ensure that all equipment used by my players is safe and conforms to the rules of the game. I shall not allow illegal or unsafe equipment to be used
- Never knowingly permit an injured player to play or return to the game without proper medical approval.
- Refrain from using illegal substances, tobacco, or alcoholic beverages while in direct supervision of my players (this includes during or prior to supervision)
- Never physically, verbally or mentally harm a child in my care.
- Never use LOUYAA proprietary information to sell, recruit, or endorse any product, religion, or event without specific permission from the league.

CODE OF CONDUCT

As a Coach, I recognize that coaches are role models for their team members and all participants involved in the activity, and that sports help to develop a sense of teamwork, self-worth and sportsmanship. As such, I agree to abide by the following:

- Place the emotional and physical wellbeing of ALL players ahead of a personal desire or external pressure to win
- Do my best to provide a safe playing environment for all participants
- Lead by example by demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all involved
- Voluntarily participate in league fundraisers, field maintenance and social events when called upon
- Encourage team and parents to become involved with all league activities, including fundraisers, field maintenance and social events
- Respect the game and league officials and communicate with them in an appropriate manner
- Be knowledgeable of the league rules and regulations, and teach these rules to all players on my team
- Encourage my team members to play by the league rules and respect the rights of other players, coaches, fans and officials
- Be responsible for my own behavior and also direct and control the behavior of my team members, their parents, and fans to the best of my ability

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____