



CODE OF CONDUCT



In an effort to create a positive and respectful academy atmosphere, Tennessee Select Soccer Academy has established the following Code of Conduct for Players and Parents. It is the expectation that players, coaches and parents of Tennessee Select Soccer Academy will conduct themselves in a professional manner both on and off the playing field. Unsportsmanlike or derogatory conduct or behavior during training, practice sessions, games, tournaments or any other academy function or event will not be tolerated.

PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT



Tennessee Select Soccer Academy believes that players who have the privilege of membership in our academy and our teams should conduct themselves as responsible representatives of the academy. Therefore we ask you to take the following pledge:

On and off the field, I will:

I promise to maintain a positive attitude during all Tennessee Select Soccer Academy events, practices and games.

I promise to be punctual and ready at the time that I am required to be present for all practices, training sessions, games and events.

I promise to contact the coach/trainer 24 hours in advance of any training/practice absence and 48 hours in advance for any game day absence (exceptions will be made for emergency situations).

Permission to be absent from training for reasons other than illness or appointment, family emergency, legal obligation or religious observance must be obtained from the coach prior to the absence.

I promise to be a team player and encourage my fellow teammates at all times.

I promise to follow the directions of my coaches and trainers.

I promise to respect my teammates, coaches and trainers. I will accept the authority of my coach when disciplined.

I promise to respect and not criticize opposing players, coaches or teams.

I promise to respect and not criticize or raise my voice to officials.

I promise that I will not use foul or degrading language while playing for the academy.

I promise that I will not engage in any fighting or flagrant unsportsmanlike conduct during any practice, training session, game or event.

I will respect all equipment and playing facilities and I will not hang on goals and nets.

I will accept victory AND defeat with Dignity.

I understand that playing time is not guaranteed and I recognize that certain games are more competitive than others and that some players will earn more playing time based on effort, ability and attitude at practices and games.



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PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT



Youth soccer is for the players. All parents associated with the Tennessee Select Soccer Academy are invited to share in the pleasure of watching their children participate, so long as their behavior does not distract the players, coaches, or officials from the free flow of play which is the trademark of the sport. As a primary goal of Tennessee Select Soccer Academy is to create a respectful and positive environment, we ask that parents and guardians adhere to these guidelines.

A parent or guardian should:

Foster an environment of respect for referees, players, coaches, and spectators of the opposing team through words of encouragement and support.

Applaud superior play, effort, and sportsmanship by players on both teams.

Support your coaches and managers consistently regardless of the results on the field. Coaches contribute many hours of their time to your children. They deserve your congratulations when the team wins and your encouragement when the team doesn't.

Communicate any concerns to the coach at the appropriate time (recommended 24 hour cool off period) away from the playing location and players.

Always remain at least two yards from the playing field so our players have room to play and enjoy the game.

Your cooperation with these standards before, during, and after each game or practice will make Tennessee Select Soccer Academy more enjoyable for everyone.

A parent or guardian must:

Never use foul language or obscene gestures at a game or practice site.

Avoid comments and gestures that express disagreement with referee decisions.

Cooperate with any request by the game officials.

Never consume alcoholic beverages on the field location at practices or games.

A parent or guardian understands that:

Any parent or spectator who fails to adhere to these standards will be required to leave the playing area, and play will be suspended until he or she does so.

The Tennessee Select Soccer Academy reserves the right to suspend or terminate a player's enrollment for his or her parent's persistent or extreme sideline misbehavior, and there will be no refunds of player fees in such cases.

Parents or guardians are responsible for their guests' behavior and must inform their guests of the applicable rules of conduct.

Any breaches of this Code of Conduct can result in your child's suspension and a member's removal from the Tennessee Select Soccer Academy. Comments and behavior of any member which contradict the mission statement or disrupt the functioning of a team can result in the suspension and/or removal from the Tennessee Select Soccer Academy.