



Coach Code of Conduct

Derived from USA Football's Coaching Ethics & Conduct

<https://usafootball.com/help/coaching-ethics-conduct>

The primary goal of coaches is the development of boys and girls to become better citizens. Young players especially must be taught sportsmanship and fair play, and these teachings should always govern their behavior while at practice and at games.

Head coaches are responsible for the conduct of all Wildcats Juniors players, members of the coaching staff, volunteers, and spectators. This includes the time periods before, during, and after league games and other events. Improper conduct, in the judgment of the game officials and the Wildcats Junior program, on the part of the players, coaches, volunteers, or spectators may result in penalties, suspension, and expulsion.

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- **I will** protect the health and safety of their players by insisting that all of the activities under their control be conducted for their psychological and physiological welfare, rather than the interests of adults.
- **I will** strive to make every football activity serve as a training ground for life and as a basis for good mental and physical health.
- **I will** emphasize that good athletes are good students, and both are physically and mentally alert.
- **I will** learn the strengths and weakness of his/her players in order to place them into situations where each has a maximum opportunity to achieve success.
- **I will** not criticize players.
- **I will** accept the decisions of officials.
- **I will** not criticize the officials, the opposing team, the coaches, fans, or parents through language or gesture.
- **I will** emphasize that winning a game is the result of teamwork.
- **I will** not use abusive or profane language in front of anyone connected with the game.
- **I will** not be under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs.
- **I will** not smoke or use any form of tobacco while on the field of play during games, scrimmages, or practices.
- **I will** treat all players, opposing coaches, officials, volunteers, parents, and all other league representatives, with respect and dignity.
- **I understand** that all I, as a coach in the Wildcats Junior Football and Cheer program, represent myself, my family, my team, the WCJFA program, and my

entire community of the Snoqualmie Valley, and will act in accordance with the values of WCJFA and the Snoqualmie Valley School District.

- **I will** demonstrate Wildcats PRIDE (Perseverance, Respect, Integrity, Dependability, Encouragement) at all times, both on and off the field.
- **I will** set an example in personal conduct at all times, both on and off the field.

I understand that violation of this Code of Conduct will not be tolerated and that GEJFA and/or WCJFA will take appropriate action to remedy violations. Any violation of GEJFA or WCJFA rules and regulations is subject to disciplinary action including but not limited to verbal warnings, suspensions, or expulsion.