



Newport Recreation Department Coaches' Code of Ethics

As a Volunteer Coach with the Newport Recreation Department, I will:

1. Consider it a honor and a privilege to coach the young people of our community.
2. Keep in mind at all times that I am a youth sports coach and that the recreational experience is for the children not for the adults.
3. Use positive coaching methods to make the experience enjoyable for my players, increase their self-esteem and foster in them a true sense of enjoyment of the sport in which they are engaged.
4. Treat officials, opposing coaches and opposing players with respect and dignity and encourage my players and my players' parents to do the same.
5. Model grace, dignity and composure regardless of the outcome of the game.
6. Observe all player participation rules and strive to make each player feel as if he/she is a valuable member of the team regardless of any physical or developmental limitations he/she may have.
7. Teach the principles of fair play and sportsmanship to my players and model these principles for them at all times.
8. Strive to learn the rules of the game and teach those rules to my players and their parents as best I can.
9. Encourage safe play at all times and report any unsafe playing conditions to the Newport Recreation Department as soon as I am able.
10. Refrain from using any illegal substances or tobacco products, or imbibing alcohol in the presence of my players or on school or park property.
11. Report any conduct that violates this code or adversely affects the positive, kid-friendly environment of the Newport Recreation Department athletic programs.

I agree to abide by and follow the Newport Recreation Department Coaches Code of Ethics.

Printed Name _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Sport _____