



## Parents Code of Ethics

### Purpose:

This code of ethics has been developed by the Rogersville Parks & Recreation to clarify and distinguish approved and accepted behavior from that which is detrimental to the development of children within the Rogersville Parks & Recreation programs.

### Policy:

- I WILL REMEMBER THAT THE PROGRAM IS FOR YOUTH --- NOT FOR ADULTS!
- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches and officials at every game, practice or any other youth athletic events.
- I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my child ahead of a personal desire to win.
- I will insist that my child play in a safe and healthy environment.
- I will support the coaches and officials working with my child, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for everyone involved.
- I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free of drugs, tobacco and alcohol, and will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- I will do my very best to make athletics fun for my child.
- I will encourage my child to treat other players, coaches, fans and officials with respect regardless of race, sex, creed or ability.
- I will try to be the best role model I can for all youth participating in this program. I will not openly criticize officials, coaches, players, RPR staff or other spectators.
- I understand that there is a Zero Tolerance Policy that I am subject to and will abide by its terms and conditions.
- I understand that if I fail to adhere to this Code of Ethics, I may be removed from the facility/park immediately and am subject to further discipline in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Zero Tolerance Policy.

**Your child's success or lack of success in sports does not indicate what kind of parent you are.**

**But having an athlete that is coachable, respectful, a great teammate, mentally tough, resilient and tries their best **IS** a direct reflection of your parenting.**