



# COACH'S CODE OF CONDUCT

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The primary goal of coaches should be the development of boys and girls to be better citizens. The players must be taught sportsmanship and fair play, and these teachings should always govern their behavior while at practice and at games. Coaches shall be responsible for the conduct of all players, members of the coaching staff and spectators. This includes the time periods before, during, and after league games and other events.

- The coach will not criticize players in front of spectators.
- The coach will accept the decisions of officials.
- The coach will not criticize the officials, the opposing team, the coaches, fans or parents, through language or gesture.
- The coach will emphasize that good athletes are good students, and both are physically and mentally alert.
- The coach will strive to make every football activity serve as a training ground for life, and as a basis for good mental and physical health.
- The coach will emphasize that winning a game is the result of teamwork.
- The coach shall not use abusive or profane language before anyone connected with the game.
- The coach will refrain from "running-up" the score against an opponent. This includes keeping in the first defense at all times.
- The coach shall not be under the influence of alcohol or dangerous drugs.
- The coach will set an example in personal conduct at all times.
- The coach will not smoke or use any form of tobacco while on the field of play during games, scrimmages or practices.
- The coach will treat each player, opposing coach, parent and KGK Board member with respect and dignity.
- The coach will learn the strengths and weakness of their players so they might place them into situations where they have a maximum opportunity to achieve success.
- The coach will protect the health and safety of their players by insisting that all of the activities under their control be conducted for players' psychological and physiological welfare, rather than interests of adults.

**Failure to abide by the rules, regulations and Code of Conduct of Kennewick Grid Kids Football may result in disciplinary actions.**