

## **WCSA Parent & Spectator Code of Conduct**

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The goal of the Western Cincinnati Soccer Association (WCSA) is to enhance life through the game of soccer and to develop soccer talents and social skills. Adherence to the code of conduct is a requirement of all parents, guardians and spectators of a child who participates in WCSA events. Disciplinary action may be taken against any individual who fails to comply with this code.

### **As a parent, guardian or spectator of a child participating in WCSA, I pledge to adhere to the following:**

- I will communicate all program and league rules and expectations to any visiting friends or family and hold them accountable for any behavior that falls outside those guidelines knowing that ultimately it falls back on me and my child.
- I will remember that I am a spectator, and the game is for children and not adults.
- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, and officials at every game, practice, or other event.
- I will place the emotional and physical well-being of all children ahead of a personal desire to win.
- I will place value in my child playing in a safe and healthy environment, free of bullying from fellow players, coaches, referees or spectators.
- I will support coaches and officials working with my child, to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
- I will treat all referees with respect, by not dissenting or distracting referees during games or make negative comments about referees before, during or after games.
- I will promote a sports environment for my child that is free of drugs, tobacco, alcohol, and inappropriate language and will refrain from their use in the immediate vicinity of all WCSA events.
- I will do my very best to make youth sports fun for my child.
- I will not interfere or coach from the sideline.
- I will remain in the spectator areas that have been established for player safety, never behind the end lines/goals, or on the team side of the field.
- I will personally demonstrate and encourage my child to treat other players, coaches, fans, and officials, with respect regardless of race, sex, creed, or ability.
- I understand that in choosing to not follow the guidelines established by my child's program or WCSA that my child and/or I can be removed from current activity and/or banned from activities in the future.
- I will communicate any issues or concerns I have, regarding my child, to my soccer coordinator or designated program contact person. I recognize that they have a working relationship with the league and are the best advocate to act on my behalf with the league.
- I will adhere to the guidelines set forth in the WCSA Social Media Policy and commit to using any and all social media platforms to support and encourage all members of the WCSA community and refrain from any posting that is demeaning, detrimental and divisive.