

# **Chosen Youth League Parent & Player Code of Conduct**

## "The Chosen Way"

The Chosen Youth League is committed to providing a safe and sound space for athletes and families to build sports skill sets, life skills, and healthy relationships. We strive for clear communication and positive sportsmanlike expectations that identify with our organization. Thank you for taking the time to read this information. We encourage you to contact the Chosen Youth League Directors with any questions or concerns.

#### **Parents Code of Conduct**

- I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child by showing respect and courtesy to all players, coaches, officials, and spectators at every game, practice or other related event.
- I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials, and spectators with respect regardless of race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, or ability.
- I (and my guests) will model good sportsmanship by acknowledging and applauding the efforts of my child, their teammates, and opponents. I will demonstrate and teach my child how to accept defeat graciously by congratulating the members of the opposing team on a game well played. I will support the team regardless of how much or how little my child plays or what the win-loss record is.
- I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct or disruptive behavior including taunting, fighting, using foul/profane language or obscene gestures with any player, coach, official, or spectator. I (and my guests) understand that any unsportsmanlike conduct of any kind is not tolerated during practices, games, or afterward in the parking lot, etc.
- I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence. I will encourage my child to display supportive feedback with their teammates by using positive statements, even when they make mistakes. At every practice they are growing physically and emotionally and are learning moral and ethical lessons. At every practice they are developing character.
- I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league. I will support the coaches by applauding behavior in my child and their teammates that demonstrate characteristics of integrity, empathy, sacrifice, and responsibility.
- I will refrain from boasting about my child's accomplishments.
- I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during practices and games and will not approach the bench during games.
- I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will not question, discuss, or confront coaches or officials during the game. I will take the time to speak with coaches or officials about any concerns I have at an agreed upon time and place.
- I will remember that the focus of the Chosen Youth League is for the players to have fun, improve skills, and feel good about playing. I will not take games or myself too seriously. I will control my emotions.
- Because I am a parent with the power and platform to make a positive difference in the life of every
  player, I consent and commit to this Code of Conduct. When failing to live up to these standards, I will
  allow for accountability and take responsibility for my actions.

#### **Player Code of Conduct**

- I will act with respect toward myself and the people and things around me, at all times by talking politely and acting respectfully toward my parents, my coaches, my teammates, the officials, my opponents, and the spectators.
- I will accept responsibility for my behavior on and off the court. I understand that what I do and say affects my teammates, my friends, and my family either positively or negatively.
- I will not put people in boxes according to their race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, or abilities. I will judge people by the content of their character.
- I will give 100 percent effort to practices, games, and events. I understand that my effort demonstrates my commitment and respect to the team, my coach, and myself.
- I will display good sportsmanship. I will acknowledge and applaud the efforts of others and encourage my teammates with positive statements. I will refrain from boasting to my teammates and "trash-talking" to opponents. I will accept defeat graciously by congratulating my opponents on a game well played.
- I will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct or disruptive behavior including taunting, fighting, using foul/profane language or obscene gestures with any player, coach, official, or spectator. I understand that any unsportsmanlike conduct of any kind is not tolerated during practices, games, or afterward in the parking lot, etc.
- I will play by the rules of the game and policies of the league.
- I will remember that I am here to have fun, learn skills, improve my techniques, and enjoy my time with others playing a sport I enjoy. At the end of the day, it's a game and I gave it my best.

Player Signature (please print)

# Any violation of the Chosen Youth League Code of Conduct by Parent or Player may result in the following:

- A technical foul and possible suspension from the league with no refund.
- Abusive behavior from parents or spectators on a particular team's sideline will result in a bench technical which is charged to the coach.
- Any spectator or parent using foul language or determined to be acting inappropriately by officials or game administrators may be ejected without refund.
- Multiple game suspensions could be imposed by the league administrator, depending on the severity of the situation and offense.

### **Participant Offense**

# League Action Taken

Foul Language Level 1 by spectators and players This consists of racial slurs, gestures, and any cultural or religious offensive language. Racial discrimination, racial profiling). No matter how subtle or overt.	Offense 1. Warning w/ private conversation, Parent meeting Offense 2. One game suspension w/ written assignment Offense 3. Expulsion from the league for one season
Foul Language Level 2 This consists of racial slurs, gestures, and any cultural or religious offensive language. Racial discrimination, racial profiling). No matter how subtle or overt.	Offense 1. Parent/ Player Meeting, Written assignment + Apology Letter + 100 burpees, 100 sit ups, 50 laps (AKA Coach Carter).  Offense 2. All of the above + game suspension

Unsportsmanlike conduct	Warning w/ private conversation     One game suspension w/ written assignment     Expulsion from the league for one season
Fighting	One game suspension w/ written assignment     & conflict resolution     Expulsion from the league for one season