

## CYO Coach/Parent/Player Codes of Conduct

**We hereby pledge to live up to the following standards designed by CYO for all Coaches, Parents and Players:**

**Coach:** I have read all the rules and eligibility requirements established by the Diocese of Rochester, Department of Evangelization & Catechesis and will abide by them.

I have attended "Creating a Safe Environment" at my local parish, have signed the Code of Conduct and have submitted necessary paperwork for the required background check.

I will hold a team meeting with the parents/guardians, and players to go over the rules and to sign this code of conduct. I will give all the signed contracts to my AD.

I have or will have completed the required on-line training provided by the American Sports Education Program.

I recognize that the purpose of CYO Athletics is to promote the spiritual, emotional, and physical well being of the individual player.

I will remember that an athletic contest is only a game, not a matter of life and death for the players, coaches, officials, fans, and the community.

I will do my best to provide a safe playing situation for all the players. I will also offer opportunities for the players to live out the teachings of their faith.

I will remember that I am a CYO coach and the game is for the children and not adults.

**Players:** I deserve to have fun during my sports experience and will alert my coach and parents if it stops being fun. I will do my best to listen and learn from my coaches.

I will treat my coaches, other players, officials and fans with respect regardless of race, age, creed, or abilities and I will expect to be treated accordingly.

I will attend the mandatory coach's meeting with my parents/guardians as a part of the team.

I will attend all CYO practice sessions and CYO games to the best of my ability.

**Parents:** I will attend the mandatory parents meeting scheduled by the Athletic Director or Coach of my child's team.

I will provide positive support, care and encouragement for my child participating in all CYO events.

I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, and officials at every game, practice or other CYO event.

**All:** We understand that we represent the Catholic community through playing CYO Athletics. Therefore, we will treat the coaches, other players, officials and fans with respect regardless of race, age, creed, or abilities and I will expect to be treated accordingly.

We will emphasize the proper ideals of ethical conduct, sportsmanship and fair play. We will encourage leadership, use of initiative and good judgment by all players. We will respect the integrity and judgment of the sports officials. We will create an environment that is free from drugs, tobacco and expect adults to refrain from their use at all CYO sports events.

**Player Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parents/Guardians:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Coach/Assistant Coach:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Athletic Director:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_