## PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY

There will be a zero tolerance policy for in appropriate behavior or conduct at any of the White Plains Tigers Youth Football League, Inc. events, by parents or legal guardians and or their guests.

- 1. I will not force my child to participate in the program against their will.
- 2. I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
- 3. I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
- 4. I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of White Plains Tigers Football League, Inc.
- 5. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or other White Plains Tigers Football League, Inc. event.
- 6. I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures.
- 7. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well being of the athletes.
- 8. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- 9. I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
- 10. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.
- 11. I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner every time.
- 12. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- 13. I will emphasize skill development and practices and how they benefit my child over winning. I will also de-emphasize games and competition in the lower age groups.

- 14. I will promote the emotional and physical wellbeing of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
- 15. I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.
- 16. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all sports events.
- 17. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official certified coaches of the team.

Our Goal is to instill Tiger Pride in our participants and children of the White Plains community:

Tradition: Commitment to excellence, teaching the spirit of determination, persistency and "hard work".

Integrity: Helping our participants to make the right decisions, and "doing the right thing".

Growth: Coaching participants to become "responsible" as they grow through learning life lessons on the field.

Education: "Is number one", values we teach will transcend to the classroom to assist in academic progress.

Respect: We appreciate diversity and "treat each other as equals".

It is important that we set the example for our children as parents/guardians with respect to appropriate conduct and behavior.

Any behavior of conduct deemed inappropriate will result in expulsion of parent/guardian and participant immediately from the field and league activity and participation.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation and appreciate your support.

Go Tigers!