

SENECA VALLEY JUNIOR FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

CODE OF ETHICS

Our mission statement

“SVJFAC seeks to instill in the youth of our community the ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, courage and respect so that they may grow to be good and healthy men and women. These objectives will be achieved by providing competitive football teams and cheerleading squads. The attainment of exceptional athletic skills or the winning of the games is secondary to the primary goal of molding responsible and healthy young men and women.”

With our mission statement in mind, we require that all members sign the attached Code of Ethics. Our bylaws, which are posted on our web site, contain provisions requiring adherence to the Code of Ethics. Appropriate action will be taken against any member not upholding these standards at all times. We are “The Seneca Valley Junior Football Association,” where ever we travel, so members must demonstrate good sportsmanship by showing positive support for all players, coaches and officials at every game, practice and event (home or away).

SVJFAC is a great organization because of our members, players, cheerleaders and volunteers. We appreciate your support.

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I/WE pledge to provide positive support, care and encouragement for everyone participating in the Seneca Valley Junior Football Association by following this Code Of Ethics:

- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches and officials at every game, practice and event (home or away).
- As a parent or guardian, I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my child ahead of any personal desire to win.
- I will insist that we play or practice in a safe and healthy environment.
- I will provide support for coaches and officials, so they can provide a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
- I will demand a drug, alcohol and tobacco-free sports environment. I agree to assist by refraining from their use at all games, practices and events.
- I will treat players, coaches, fans and officials with respect regardless of race, sex, creed or ability.
- With the exception of an emergency or in the role as an officially appointed volunteer, for example a Stick Holder or Team Dad, I understand that parents/guardians are NOT permitted on the field or sidelines during a game.
- As a parent or guardian, I will not address my child's coach with a non-safety issue before, during or after a game or in front a child. I will wait until I can approach the coach in a private setting.
- I will wait 24 hours before I contact my child's coach regarding any non- safety issue, such as play time or positions.
- As a player/cheerleader, I must ask about coaching decisions, for example: play time or position, with my Head Coach BEFORE my parent asks the coach.
- I understand that taunting, jeering or foul language is specifically prohibited at ANY field or facility used by the SVJFAC (home or away).
- Badgering, derogatory behavior or fighting with a coach, player, cheerleader, spectator, referee or opposing team member is PROHIBITED and will result in immediate disciplinary sanctions.
- I promise to enjoy the Seneca Valley Junior Football Association experience, within my personal constraints, by volunteering, being a respectable fan, providing transportation, demonstrating exceptional sportsmanship or helping where ever I am capable.

We understand that coaches are responsible for the conduct of their players, assistant coaches and SVJFAC members during events, games and practices. A coach or board member may immediately eject ANY member from the facilities being used by SVJFAC (home or away). Disciplinary action for violation of the code of ethics may include punitive sanctions, suspensions or dismissal from SVJFAC.

Parent/Guardian Printed Name & Signature	Date

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