



CODE OF CONDUCT

Core Values

The following core values of Danvers Youth Hockey (DYH) apply to all members and participants in games, practices, coaching, organizing and operating the organization.

Respect - Treat all others as you expect to be treated. All members shall demonstrate a tolerance of and inclusive stance towards others, regardless of differences. Members shall never slander, degrade, threaten, or hurt others, and shall be considerate of the feelings of others.

Sportsmanship - We strive to achieve fair play. We will be humble in victory, gracious in defeat. We will foster friendship with teammates and opponents alike.

Integrity - We seek to foster honesty and fair play beyond a strict interpretation of the rules and regulations of the game. All members shall use self-control and self-discipline, be accountable for choices and actions, shall act in an honest and trustworthy manner, and shall never deceive, cheat or steal.

Pursuit of Excellence - Each member of the organization will seek to perform each responsibility to the highest level of his or her ability, and shall demonstrate a positive and supportive behavior for others.

Enjoyment - It is important for all hockey experience to be fun, satisfying and rewarding for all participants.

Teamwork – We value the strength of learning to work together. Teamwork is reinforced and rewarded by growth of the individual and achievement of Personal and Team. Teamwork promotes an enjoyable hockey experience that fosters a love for the game.



PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT

I will respect my teammates, coaches, officials, and opponents by acting appropriately during practice and games, exercising self-control, accepting accountability for actions, and playing by the spirit of the of the rules of the game.

I will be inclusive of others and tolerate differences among individuals in a respectful way. I understand that fighting, harassing, hazing, or creating a hostile environment is not tolerated by DYH.

I will do my best to be a good team player by engaging in positive team play, and respecting the efforts of others.

I will not be negative or pessimistic during a game, nor will I express or predict a negative outcome for my team.

I will not curse or use bad language on the bench, in the rink, or at any team or DYH function.

I will control my temper because I understand that fighting or speaking inappropriately can hurt my team and myself.

I will not lash out at any official not matter what the call is. I understand the coaching staff will handle all matters pertaining to officiating.

I will strive to improve by practice and hard work because practices stress the importance of teamwork, establishing goals, discipline and loyalty.

I promise to work hard in order to improve my overall character both on and off the ice, representing myself as a true Falcon whether at the rink, in school or at home.

Failure to abide by these principals will result in enforcement action by the Board of Directors of DYH, including forfeiture of playing time or removal from the organization.



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PARENT/GUARDIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

Hockey parents play a pivotal role in the development of a child’s athletic skills, personal growth and enjoyment of the game. Parents who offer a supportive attitude for their young player will come away with a positive youth hockey experience:

I will provide a supportive, positive and caring environment for my child or children in the program and will place their personal well being ahead of winning.

I will respect all others in the organization or involved in competition: coaches, other parents, players, opponents, and officials, and will promote inclusivity and tolerance of others regardless of differences.

I will do my very best to ensure that youth sports is fun, and will keep things in perspective. I promise to help my child or children have fun, improve their hockey skills, and develop physically and emotionally.

I will encourage good sportsmanship, fairness and adherence to the rules of the game.

I will support coaches, instructors, officials and others working with my child or children, and acknowledge that many of the people working with my child are volunteers contributing an enormous amount of time and energy for the players’ benefit.

I will not purposely contradict the coaching my child or children receive, acknowledging it is unfair to put a child in the position of trying to determine who to listen to, coach or parent.

I will encourage teamwork and instruct proper behavior in winning and losing.

I will help the organization, as I am able, such as coaching, volunteering at events, assisting with fundraising, or providing rides or other help to other parents and players.

If I have an issue or disagreement with a coach or the organization, I will respect a 24-hour “cooling off” period before discussing the issue with the coach or organization. I shall discuss the matter in a respectful manner, in private, away from other players,



coaches, and parents. I will seek resolution in a non-threatening, non-inflammatory manner, with respect accorded to all parties involved.

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COACH CODE OF CONDUCT

The primary function of a coach is to facilitate a positive youth sports environment and develop athletes through participation and competition. Development of the athlete has benefits that include physical and emotional aspects. Coaches should be aware that their involvement in the sport has a tremendous influence on the well being of the athlete that can last a lifetime.

I will never place winning above the well being of an athlete. Winning is a benefit, but not the ultimate goal. I will care more about the physical and emotional well being of the athlete and his or her athletic development than the winning of a game.

I will be a positive role model to players on my team, display emotional maturity and be alert to their physical safety.

I will respect all others in the organization or involved in competition: other coaches, parents, players, opponents, and officials. I will foster an inclusive and tolerant environment that is accepting of others regardless of differences.

I will be generous with praise when it's deserved, be consistent, honest, fair and just, non-critical in a public forum, and will strive to be an effective communicator.

I will adjust to personal needs and patterns of players, be a good listener, give all players the opportunity to improve their skills, gain confidence and develop self-esteem.

I will organize practices that are exciting and challenging for the players.

I will maintain an open line of communication with parents, players and all related officials. Team goals and objectives will be clearly understood and explained. The main objective is the overall development of the player both on-ice and off. Good health, strong schooling, clean living and a positive-balanced demeanor will not just be encouraged, but enforced.

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