

Summit Lacrosse Club Coaches Code of Conduct

Our mission is to teach the boys and girls of the Summit Lacrosse Club to play lacrosse with skill, integrity, sportsmanship, and enjoyment. Our primary concern is to teach the values of discipline, hard work, team commitment, and fair and sportsmanlike competition. We believe that in team sports, victories are not just achieved on the scoreboard. We judge our success by our ability to impress these values on our young players. We cannot accomplish this mission without your support and your agreement to act as adult role models. As a result we ask you to read and agree to abide by the following **COACHES' CODE OF CONDUCT**.

I WILL:

1. Teach my players responsibility:

- a. I will be sure my players realize the importance of attending and being on time for all practices and games.
- b. I will be sure my players are picked up from practices and games at their conclusion.
- c. I will encourage my player to take the time to practice on his own to build his lacrosse skills.

2. Teach my players to respect other people:

- a. I will not use foul language, ridicule or criticize the referee, coaches or other players, by yelling from the sidelines, or by making dramatic arm movements.
- b. I will tell my player that the officials are human and may sometimes make mistakes while controlling the game, but that the referee does not "make or break" the outcome of the game. I will not argue with fans from opposing teams.

3. Teach my player that good sportsmanship is essential to the game of lacrosse

- a. I will applaud a good effort in victory **and** defeat.
- b. I will applaud good play by the opposing team and players.
- c. I will discipline my player for use of foul or inappropriate language, or for engaging in unsportsmanlike conduct.

4. I will learn the **Player's Code of Conduct** and taking advantage of every opportunity to reinforce this code with my players.

I understand the conduct expected of me as a coach of Summit Lacrosse Club players. My failure to conduct myself in accordance with this Coaches and Parents' Code of Conduct may result in my removal from this club.

Signature and date