



SAN FERNANDO VALLEY
JAPANESE AMERICAN COMMUNITY CENTER
ATHLETICS ASSOCIATION

12953 Branford Street, Pacoima, California 91331

Code of Conduct

The goal of the SFVJACC Athletics Association is to provide sports activities for the youth of the SFVJACC that promotes sportsmanship, fellowship, teamwork and development of athletic skills. In order to accomplish this, Code of Conduct was instituted and is to be followed by coaches, players, parents, and spectators to ensure proper conduct on and off the court and to fully comply with the rules and policies of the organization.

Coaches Code of Conduct

- ◆ Winning is a consideration, but not the only one, nor the most important one. Remember that players are involved in sports for fun and enjoyment.
- ◆ Be a positive role model for players.
- ◆ Refrain from use of profanity, vulgarity and other offensive language and gestures.
- ◆ At no time during practice or game, be involved in abusive verbal or physical contact with another parent, coach official or player.
- ◆ Always abide by and respect the integrity and decisions of the game officials.
- ◆ Show respect for players, officials, and other coaches.
- ◆ Be generous with your praise when it is deserved; be consistent, honest; be fair and just. Cheer every good play no matter who makes it.
- ◆ Praise the player by recognizing the good, not the bad. Do not criticize or yell at players publicly; learn to be an effective communicator and coach.
- ◆ Organize practices that are challenging and fun for players.
- ◆ Familiarize yourself with the rules, techniques, and strategies of the sport.
- ◆ Encourage players to be team players, emphasizing team spirit, team unity, team effort and team success
- ◆ Maintain an open line of communication with players' parents.
- ◆ Be concerned with the overall development of players. Stress good health and study habits. Discourage any player from the use of alcohol, tobacco, illegal and non-prescriptive drugs, anabolic steroids, or any substance to increase physical development or performance that is not approved by the US Food and Drug Administration, US Surgeon General or the American Medical Association.
- ◆ Practice moral principals and avoid recruitment of players from other teams.
- ◆ Refrain from negative comments about coaches, other players and/or referees related to sports activities of the team on social networks, (i.e., Facebook, My Space, etc).

Parents Code of Conduct

- ◆ Remember that basketball is only a game (not a life or death situation). Children are involved in organized sports for their enjoyment; make it fun.
- ◆ Encourage your child to play by the rules. Remember that children learn best by example, so applaud the good plays of both teams.
- ◆ Praise your child, their teammates and their opponents just for playing, regardless of their athletics skills.
- ◆ Remain calm when your child or their teammates makes a mistake and help them learn from that mistake.

- ◆ Remind your child not to get “down” on themselves when things don’t go well.
- ◆ Remind yourself and your child to laugh and keep a sense of humor on and off the court.
- ◆ Emphasize teamwork, teaching the “we” and not “me” concept in team sports.
- ◆ Treat officials, coaches, your child, their teammates and their opponents with respect.
- ◆ Do not embarrass your child by yelling at the players, coaches or officials.
- ◆ Refrain from use of profanity, vulgarity and other offensive language and gestures.
- ◆ At no time during practice or game, be involved in abusive verbal or physical contact with another parent, coach official or player.
- ◆ Be a role model for your child by displaying good examples of sportsmanship (winning without gloating and losing without complaining).
- ◆ Recognize the importance of volunteer coaches. Communicate and support them.
- ◆ Enjoy the game by understanding and accepting the rules and regulations of game.
- ◆ Please note: Players wishing to transfer to another organization within JAO, CBO, CYC, or SEYO, must meet release criteria from San Fernando Athletics. Family requesting release, must be members in good standing with San Fernando Athletics, with no outstanding debts or obligations. In addition, release will be required from CBO or JAO as applicable. If a release is not granted from both San Fernando Athletics and CBO/JAO, players will be required to sit out one-year before they will be allowed to transfer.
- ◆ SFVJACC Athletics is a non-profit organization, and depend solely on fund raising activities to support our program. Therefore, one parent or designate per player is required to participate in the two (2) major SF Athletics fundraisers, the SF Athletics Pancake Breakfast in the spring, and the SF Obon Festival in the summer. Penalties for non-support of these fundraisers will be determined by the SF Athletics Board as outlined in the San Fernando Athletics Rules and Regulations. Waiver from this requirement may be granted by the Board, on a case by case situation.
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Players Code of Conduct

- ◆ Play for fun.
- ◆ Work hard to improve your skills
- ◆ Do not use alcohol, drugs or tobacco.
- ◆ Be a team player – get along with your teammates.
- ◆ Learn teamwork, sportsmanship and discipline.
- ◆ Be on time for practices and games.
- ◆ Learn the rules and play by them. Always be a good sport.
- ◆ Show respect for teammates, coaches, officials, and other coaches and players.
- ◆ Refrain form use of profanity, vulgarity and other offensive language and gestures.
- ◆ At no time during practice or game, be involved in abusive verbal or physical contact with another player, coach, official or other adult.
- ◆ Never argue with the official’s decision.
- ◆ Never use unnecessary rough tactics in the play of the game against an opposing player.
- ◆ Refrain from negative comments about coaches, other players and/or referees related to sports activities of the team on social networks, (i.e., Facebook, My Space, etc).

Spectators Code of Conduct

- ◆ Display good sportsmanship. Always respect players, coaches and officials.
- ◆ Act appropriately, does not taunt or disturb officials or other fans; enjoy the game together.
- ◆ Refrain from use of profanity, vulgarity and other offensive language and gestures.
- ◆ At no time during practice or game, be involved in abusive verbal or physical contact with another parent, coach, official or player.
- ◆ Cheer good plays of all participants; avoid booing opponents.
- ◆ Support and officials and coaches by trusting their judgement and integrity.
- ◆ Be supportive after the game – win or lose – recognize good effort, teamwork and sportsmanship.
- ◆ Refrain from negative comments about coaches, other players and/or referees related to sports activities of the team on social networks, (i.e., Facebook, My Space, etc).

Consequences for violation of code of conduct:

We encourage you to root for team, play with enthusiasm, and have fun. However, SFVJACC Athletics will not tolerate unsportsmanlike behavior nor will it tolerate those who violate the rules. Players, coaches, parents and spectators who violate any of the above will be subject to disciplinary action imposed by SFVJACC Athletics Board including suspension, expulsion, and permanent exclusion from SFVJACC Athletics participation. We appreciate your cooperation and support.

I acknowledge that by my signing this Code of Conduct, agreeing for myself and on behalf of members of my family, that I will do my best to abide by it's provisions. I understand failure to do so, may result in disciplinary action, as deemed appropriate by the SFVJACC Athletics Board.

Parent Name (Printed)

Signature

Player Name (Printed)

Signature

Date:

Original signed form will be kept on file with SFVJACC Athletics

Akiko Manaka/Lori Arikawa; SFVJACC Boys Commissioners 2010-2011
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