



# SCAL Participant Code of Conduct

Our goal is to develop the child inside the athlete through sports.

## **Introduction:**

Interscholastic and youth sports programs play an important role in promoting the physical, social and emotional development of children. It is therefore essential for parents, coaches and officials to encourage youth athletes to embrace the values of good sportsmanship. Moreover, adults involved in youth sports events should be models of good sportsmanship and should lead by example by demonstrating fairness, respect, and self control.

**I therefore pledge to be responsible for my words and actions while attending, coaching, officiating or participating in any youth sports event and shall conform my behavior to the following code of conduct:**

1. I will not engage in unsportsmanlike conduct with any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
2. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to engage in unsportsmanlike conduct with any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
3. I will not engage in any behavior which would endanger the health, safety or well being of any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
4. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to engage in any behavior which would endanger the health, safety or well being of any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
5. I will not use drugs or alcohol while at a youth sports event and will not attend, coach, officiate or participate in a youth sports event while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
6. I will not permit my child, or encourage any other person, to use drugs or alcohol at a youth sports event and will not permit my child, or encourage any other person, to attend, coach, officiate or participate in a youth sports event while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
7. I will not engage in the use of profanity.
8. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to engage in the use of profanity.
9. I will treat any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee with respect regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation or ability.

10. I will encourage my child to treat any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee with respect regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation or ability.
11. will not engage in verbal or physical threats or abuse aimed at any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
12. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to engage in verbal or physical threats or abuse aimed at any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
13. I will not initiate a fight or scuffle with any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
14. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to initiate a fight or scuffle with any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
15. I will follow any rules or guidelines set by any school or Hillsborough County facility while on the premises not limited to usage time, cleanliness, animals, parking, etc.

**I hereby agree that if I fail to conform my conduct to the foregoing while attending, coaching, officiating or participating in a youth sports event I will be subject to disciplinary action, including but not limited to the following in any order or combination:**

1. Verbal warning issued by a referee, the SCAL organization or school official.
2. Written warning issued by the SCAL organization or school official.
3. Suspension or immediate ejection from a youth sports event issued by a referee, the SCAL organization or school official who is authorized to issue such suspension or ejection on behalf of the SCAL organization.
4. Suspension from multiple youth sports events issued by the SCAL organization or school official who is authorized to issue such suspension or ejection on behalf of the SCAL organization.
5. Season suspension by the SCAL organization or school official who is authorized to issue such suspension or ejection on behalf of the SCAL organization.

Signing this document affirms each individual's commitment to the ideals presented herein.

Athlete's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Coach's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

AD's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Sport: \_\_\_\_\_