

Glen Ellyn Lakers FC Parents Code of Conduct

Purpose

The Glen Ellyn Lakers FC goal is to provide our children an opportunity to advance their skills as a soccer player, become team players, and learn good sportsmanship in a competitive soccer environment. This can only be achieved through a partnership with our trainers, parents and players. Everyone must work together to achieve this common goal.

To achieve this goal we are asking parents to read, understand and agree to the following Code of Conduct. Please sign the code and return the form to the Glen Ellyn Park District.

- 1. Parents agree to have their children arrive to practice and games at the time specified by the trainer or team manager
- 2. Parents will have their player(s) in the appropriate uniform for games and appropriate attire for practice (club practice jerseys will be worn to practices).
- 3. Parents understand that being well rested and an appropriate diet are important for your player's ability to perform.
- 4. Parents and trainers agree to show a positive attitude toward everyone involved in the sport. Disrespect for officials, opponents, trainers or fans undermine the purpose of the sport. This is disruptive to the game and distracting to players.
- 5. Parents understand and acknowledge that game officials are human and make mistakes. Parents agree not to voice their disagreement or frustrations with the referee's decisions during a game. Criticism of the referees will not be tolerated and may result in ejection from the field and sideline ban for future matches.
- 6. Parents agree NOT to coach players from the sidelines. Parents should be spectators and leave instruction to the trainer.
- 7. Parents will provide <u>encouragement and positive feedback</u> from the sideline. Please restrain from negative comments. Remember players are giving their best effort when on the field.
- 8. Parents agree to show good sportsmanship toward opposing teams. Never allow yourself to be drawn into a verbal disagreement with opposing parents or coaches.
- 9. Parents agree that cursing and vulgarity are not an acceptable means of communication at youth sporting events.
- 10. Parents will abide by the "24 Hour Rule" in regards to discussing issues with trainers. This means that parents will not engage trainers with negative concerns until at least 24 hours after the incident. This helps bring the discussion away from the players and allows all parties to cool down and re-evaluate the situation which will lead to more productive discussion.
- 11. We understand that any violation of these rules could result in our inability to attend games or participate in Lakers activities. The Glen Ellyn Park District and/or Lakers Board reserve the right to review any violations.

Acknowledgement

I have read, and understand and hereby agree to abide by and support the Glen Ellyn Lakers FC Parents Code of Conduct

Team/Players Name	
Parents Name(s):	
Parent Signature:	Date:
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