

**Walton County Parks & Recreation Department
Adapted Sports Program**

Parents Code of Conduct

The Walton County Parks & Recreation Department has implemented the following parent's Code of Conduct for the important message it holds about the proper role of parents in supporting their child in sports. Parents should read, understand, and sign this form prior to their child participating in our programs.

Any parent guilty of improper conduct at any game or practice will be asked to leave the sports facility.

The essential elements of character building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core principles: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Good Citizenship.

I therefore agree:

1. I will not force my child to participate in sports.
2. I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
3. I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
4. I will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy toward all players, coaches, and spectators at every game.
5. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to violence.
6. I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner.
7. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake.
8. I will make sure that all siblings stay off the field and out of the batting area in order to assure for their safety and the safety of the players.
9. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol. I will refrain from the use of these items at all sports events.

Parent or Guardian's Signature

Print child's name