



2023 Parent Code of Conduct

As a parent or legal guardian, I agree to abide by the following rules and all rules set forth in the Poway Pop Warner Policies & Procedures and Bylaws. I understand my failure to abide by these rules and standards may result in suspension or dismissal from Pop Warner.

1. I will not criticize, belittle or question the ability or authority of any official, coach or volunteer of the Team, League or Conference.
2. I will control my emotions at games and events. I will not yell at or criticize other players, coaches, parents or officials.
3. I will not use foul language.
4. I will not partake in the use or possession of alcohol, tobacco, drug (to include legal and illegal) or any other use of illegal substance at any Poway Pop Warner sanctioned event. Additionally, I will not tolerate anyone under the influence of drugs, alcohol or illegal substances around participants.

Coach/Parent Relationship:

5. I will not put pressure on a coach to:
 - a. Play my child at a certain position.
 - b. Play my child more than is required by the "Mandatory Play Rule"
 - c. Alter his/her coaching style, technique, or philosophy.
 - d. Question a referee's judgment or overall officiating ability.
6. I will:
 - a. Support the decision of my child's coach to play my child at any position the coach sees fit.
 - b. Ensure that my child is on time for all games, practices and team activities.
 - c. Do my best to control any negative behavior of my child as pointed out by his/her coach.
 - d. Encourage my child to play any position his/her coach recommends.
7. All grievances, problems, questions, etc., will be discussed with a Team, League, or Conference official outside the presence of children, such as a personal meeting or telephone conversation. Official grievances will be submitted to the League in writing for further investigation.

8. I agree to refrain from posting/chatting/instant messaging on any social media forum/platform that would initiate, hurt, intimidate, humiliate or defame any player, coach, official, volunteer or spectator. The posting of negative, demeaning or derogatory comments will not be tolerated. I also agree not to participate in bad mouthing or defaming PPW members, volunteers, other teams and/or leagues in any social media forum/platform.

9. I will respect a Team, League, or Conference official's right NOT to communicate with me "on the spur of the moment" about issues not in the immediate best interests of child participants.

10. Whenever possible, I will volunteer my time and talents to support my child's participation in Team, League or Conference activities.

11. I understand that all Team, League or Conference games, and practices, are competitive activities. However, they will endeavor to function under a "Recreational Philosophy", stressing sport as a FUN, HEALTHY activity to be participated for enjoyment, not solely for competitive advantage.

12. I understand that a child is not guaranteed a team, coach, or division. I will further support the method and result of team formation within the League or Conference and understand that the decision of my child's placement on a team by the League or Conference is final.

Signature below acknowledges that I have read and understand this Parent Code of Conduct.

Name: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____