



CLAREMONT YOUTH SPORTS COMMITTEE

CODE OF ETHICS

The Youth Sports Committee (YSC) strongly believes in the benefits of participation in organized youth sports. Participation in sports has proven to build self-esteem, promote teamwork, develop the body as well as the mind, and is an integral part of the maturation process. Therefore, the goal of the YSC is to provide the programs and venues for young people of all backgrounds to participate and enjoy a variety of youth sports while maintaining a safe, positive, and wholesome environment.

1. Proper Youth Sports Environment

YSC must consider and carefully choose the proper sports environment for their participants, including the appropriate age and development for participation, the type of sport, the rules of the sport, the age range of the participants, and the proper level of physical and emotional stress.

2. Fostering Well-Being of Children

YSC must provide youth sports programs that are developed and organized to enhance the emotional, physical, social, and educational well-being of children.

3. Drug, Tobacco & Alcohol-Free Environment

YSC must encourage a drug, tobacco, and alcohol-free environment for their participants during YSC sanctioned events.

4. Positive Role Models

YSC, organizations administrators, officials, coaches, parents, and players must provide positive role models, exhibiting sportsmanlike behavior at games, practices, and sanctioned events. YSC coaches must lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all players and place the emotional and physical well-being of the players ahead of any desire to win.

5. Safe Playing Environment

YSC must insist on safe playing facilities, healthful playing situations, and first aid applications, should the need arise.

6. Equal Opportunity

All YSC youth regardless of race, creed, sex, sexual orientation, gender, ability, skill, and economic status will have an equal opportunity to participate in sports. All YSC groups will adhere to the State AB2404 Gender Equity Requirements.

The City of Claremont does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission or access, or treatment, or employment, or volunteer, in its programs or activities.

7. Respect for Facilities

Respect for facilities is to be emphasized by parents, participants, coaches, and all YSC groups. Trash is to be disposed of properly at all City and School District facilities. Balls and other items should not be hit or kicked against fencing, buildings, or walls. All children should be within an area that can be supervised at all times. Trash cans, bleachers, soccer goal posts, and other equipment is not to be moved unless prior authorization has been given.

8. Human Relations

YSC groups shall be committed to the philosophy of diversity, equity and inclusion, equal opportunity, and fair treatment. The Committee's programs shall promote the general well-being of citizens, identify solutions to bridge opportunity gaps, and eliminate discrimination on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, class, disability, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender identification, religion, as well as cultural, political, or other affiliations.

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