



# Heartland Youth Football League

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## Code of Conduct

**All members of Heartland Youth Football League are instrumental in the development of young individuals both on and off the field. It is imperative that we carry ourselves in a way that sets a good example for our youth follow. We are representatives of our community. When we are guests at another organizations field we will conduct ourselves in a manner that would not reflect negatively on our organization or community. The Code of Conduct form for All Board Members, Coaches, Parents, and Players is attached.**

1. I will remember that I represent Heartland Youth Football League. I will conduct myself at all times, in a manner that would not be in violation of the rules and regulations of the Heartland youth Football League.
2. I will provide a sports environment that is free of drugs. I will refrain from the use of alcohol while actively participating in an event in which children are involved and I am responsible for their development and supervision.
3. I will refrain from the use of profane or vulgar language while in the presence of coaches, players, parents, or spectators.
4. I recognize that all Board Members, Coaches and Assistants are volunteers and will treat all with Respect and Courtesy.
5. I will treat all Officials and League Leadership with respect.
6. I understand that I am responsible for my behavior and the behavior of my family members and guests attending the event..
7. Heartland Youth Football League Board retains the right to deny or remove any coach, parent, or child from participating in Heartland Youth Football League Activities.
8. I will comply with the decisions of league officials and observe all rules, policies, and procedures as established or endorsed by the Heartland Youth Football League.
9. If I have a complaint, I will address it with the Board Members at an agreed upon time and place by all Board Members.
10. I will not act as a sounding board for parents or coaches who have a complaint. Coaches and Parents must put complaints in writing to the President or Vice President of their respective program.
11. The Heartland Youth Football League retains the right to remove any individual who intentionally commits any act that would undermine the Heartland Youth Football Leagues ability to provide a positive environment for youth to participate in Sports. This includes but is not limited to violations of the coach or player code of conduct (Below), criminal violations or any act that would tarnish the reputation of the Heartland Youth Football League.
12. I will refrain from posting negative emails, texts or other electronic communication on ALL social media avenues (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, etc.).

By signing below, I agree to abide by all rules set forth in the above code of conduct.

School (print): \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Board Member/ Coach / Parent / Player)

Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_

Name (signature) \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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## **Coach Code of Conduct**

Heartland Youth Football League adopted a “No Tolerance” policy for coaching staff. In doing so the following rules MUST be followed by all Managers and Assistants.

1. I will remember that I am a coach and that the game is for the children not the adults.
2. I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my players ahead of my personal desires to win.
3. I will do my best to provide a safe playing situation for my players.
4. I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all my players.
5. I will provide a sports environment for my team that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and refrain from their use at all Heartland Youth Football League events.
6. I will treat all coaches, players, parents, spectators, umpires, and league officials with respect.
7. I will comply with the decisions of league officials and observe all rules, policies, and procedures as established or endorsed by Heartland Youth Football League.
8. I understand that the coaching staff is responsible for the behavior of his players, parents, and spectators.
9. I will not use profane or vulgar language while in the presence of players, parents, or spectators.
10. I will conduct myself at all times, in a manner that would not be in violation of the rules and regulations of Heartland Youth Football League.
11. If I am in violation of this code of conduct, I understand that I will be subject to immediate removal of coaching privileges by Heartland Youth Football League.

## **Player Code of Conduct**

1. I will demonstrate good sportsmanship at every practice and game.
2. I will show respect toward all coaches, players, league officials, referees & spectators
3. I will follow team rules & directions as set forth by the coaching staff.
4. I will make every attempt to be on time and ready to play for all games and practices
5. I will not question an umpire’s call.
6. I will not engage in the use of profanity or any other offensive language.
7. I will not taunt or humiliate any other player.
8. I will not abuse, mistreat or mishandle any equipment or property (i.e. throwing bats or helmets etc...)
9. If I am in violation of this code of conduct, I understand that I could lose my status of being a Member in Good Standing with Heartland Youth Football League and I shall be subject to disciplinary action that could include but is not limited to the following:

Verbal warning by league official and/or umpire to my coach for unacceptable behavior

First offense after warning: Player benched for remainder of game.

A second offense of player suspension from next game. This will include participation in practices held prior to next game.

A third offense will result in removal from team for remainder of season.