



**KIDS IN DISABILITY SPORTS, INC.**  
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## Kids In Disability Sports, Inc. Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct

It is the intention of Kids In Disability Sports, Inc. ("KIDS") to promote fun, fair play and respect for all members of KIDS and individuals who give their time to support the organization. It is expected that all parents and family members of KIDS participants read and understand this Parent Code of Conduct and continue to observe and follow all the principles contained within the Code throughout the year.

1. I will not force my child to participate in any program or event.
2. I will remember that participants participate to have fun and that the program or event is for them, and not for the family members unless otherwise directed by KIDS.
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 learn the rules of the game and the policies of KIDS and abide by them.
5. I and my guests will be positive role models for my child and encourage good conduct and sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all participants, coaches, volunteer staff and spectators at every KIDS-sponsored program or event.
6. I and my guests will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any participant, coach, or volunteer staff, such as booing and taunting, refusing to shake hands, or using profane language or gestures. I will support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from programs and events.
7. I and my guests will not engage in any kind of harassment, bullying or intimidation towards any participant, coach, spectator or volunteer staff member of KIDS and will respect and show appreciation for the volunteers who give their time to the organization for the benefit of my child.
8. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well-being of the participants. I will support an environment that is free from alcohol, drugs, or tobacco, and will refrain from use at programs and events unless the program or event is held at an establishment offering alcohol for sale, or has designated locations for tobacco use, to the public generally.
9. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
10. I will teach my child to treat other participants, coaches, volunteer staff and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.



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11. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of the game or by his or her performance.
12. I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard and make my child feel like a winner every time.
13. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake or losing a competition.
14. I will emphasize skill development, commitment and the benefit of practice, and will reinforce their benefit over winning.
15. I will promote the emotional and physical well being of the participants over any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
16. I will respect the authority of officials, coaches and volunteer staff. I will never question, discuss or confront coaches, officials or volunteer staff during or immediately after games or events. When I need to speak to a coach, official, or volunteer staff member, I will make arrangements to do so at an agreed upon time and place.

**I have read and understand the above Code of Conduct, and agree to abide by its contents at all KIDS programs, meetings, and activities. I understand that if I do not follow this Code of Conduct, I may be (a) asked to leave the program, meeting, or activity, (b) asked to withdraw my child from the program or activity, and/or (c) barred from future KIDS programs, meetings and activities, at the sole discretion of the coaches, assistant coaches, or KIDS Board of Directors, as applicable.**

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