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PARENT'S CODE OF CONDUCT

It is the intention of this Code of Conduct to promote the values of Fair Play and Respect for all participants within Bangor Youth Hockey. It is expected that all parents of Bangor Youth Hockey participants read and understand the Parent's Code of Conduct and continue to observe and follow the principles contained within the Code throughout the season. Bangor Youth Hockey has adopted a "zero tolerance" policy for these items.

1. I will remember that children participate in hockey to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
2. I will encourage my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflict in a respectful manner.
3. 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 a game.
4. I will make my child feel like a winner every time by offering praise for competing fairly and hard. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or any other participant for making a mistake or losing a game.
5. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy and by applauding good play by both my child's team and their opponents. I will not be critical of, or embarrass, any player or coach, including those on the opposing team.
6. I (and my guests) will be supportive of officials even when I disagree with their decisions. I will not criticize the officials' judgment in public.
7. I (and my guests) will support and respect the coaching staff. I will leave the coaching to the coaches and refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices unless I am one of the official coaches of the team. I will not question or confront coaches at a team event, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.
8. I (and my guests) will never yell, taunt, threaten, demean, or inflict physical violence upon any player, coach, official, or spectator at any youth hockey activity. I will refrain from the use of abusive or vulgar language. I will refrain from making slurs based on race, ethnicity, gender, religion, or skill level. I will not throw objects of any kind on the ice, or pound on the glass.
9. I will emphasize skill development and explain how skill development will benefit my child.
10. I understand that winning is not the most important consideration in youth sports. I recognize that youth sports are primarily about learning the values of trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, teamwork, goal-setting, commitment, discipline, good sportsmanship, physical fitness, and enjoyment.
11. I will communicate all and any concerns regarding inappropriate behavior to the team coach or an appropriate Bangor Youth Hockey representative.
12. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all team events.

I have read and understand the attached Code of Conduct, and agree to abide by its guidelines at all team and league activities. I understand that if I do not follow this Code of Conduct, I may be required to leave league activities (such as a game or practice) or I may be asked to withdraw my child from the league.

PLAYER'S NAME: _____

PRINT PARENT(S) NAME(S) _____ DATE _____

PARENT SIGNATURES:

PARENT 1 _____ PARENT 2 _____