



Buffalo Valley Youth Association

Coaching Staff Code of Conduct



- I understand that my responsibilities as a youth coach are of great importance and that my actions have the potential to significantly influence the young athletes I coach.
- I understand that many children participate in sports for numerous reasons, and that the number ONE reason is to have FUN.
- I understand that as a youth coach I am obligated to honor the games rules, opponents, officials, teammates, and self, and to TEACH players to do the same.

Therefore by participating as a youth sports volunteer, I will adhere to the following codes:

A. I will create an appropriate environment for our children that:

- 1) Focuses on safety, fun, skills development, and education.
- 2) Has a positive lasting impact on the children of our community.
- 3) Promotes building character and learning life skills.
- 4) De-emphasizes a win at all costs attitude.
- 5) Is fair, consistent, and best meets the emotional and physical needs of all children.
- 6) Builds a culture where winning is not defined by outcome of competition, but by the individual needs of all children.

B. I will act responsibly and do my best to assure that:

- 1) I provide playing time for every child that is consistent with the rules of BVYA and the respective sport being played.
- 2) I properly educate players the importance of teamwork, effort, having fun, and playing fair while properly instructing age appropriate fundamentals and skills.
- 3) I provide players the best education, instruction, and organization possible by attending required meetings, clinics, and certifications as required by BVYA or its sanctioning leagues.
- 4) I am familiar with the objectives of the youth sports program. I strive to achieve these objectives and communicate them to my players and their parents.
- 5) I cooperate with the administrator of our organization in the enforcement of the rules and regulations, and I will report irregularities that violate sound competitive practices.
- 6) I provide a healthy and safe environment for my players, which are in accordance with my league's safety procedures. I will provide safe instruction and use of playing equipment.

C. I will display appropriate behavior.

I will understand that violations of the following codes may jeopardize my privilege to coach youth sports.

- 1) I will treat each player, opposing coach, official, parent, or administrator with respect and dignity, and refrain from using profanity, intimidation tactics, and inappropriate language.
- 2) I will uphold the authority of officials who are assigned to the contests in which I coach, and I will assist them in every way to conduct fair and impartial competitive contests
- 3) I will display appropriate behavior towards, and in the presence of, children.

D. Terminal Behavior

I understand that violation of the following codes may result in immediate termination of my privileges to coach youth sports.

- 1) I will NEVER coach under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- 2) I will NEVER initiate or participate in any form of verbal or physical assault on any staff, volunteer, parent, child or game official.

The Buffalo Valley Youth Association (BVYA) reserves the right to take appropriate disciplinary action involving any coach in violation of the code of conduct.

With my signature, which I voluntarily affix to this contract, I acknowledge that I have read, understood, and will do my best to fulfill the promises made herein.

_____ Coach Name (Print)

Coach Signature

Please be sure to sign BOTH page 1 and 2

Date:



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Violations of the Coaches Code of Conduct will result in written documentation, advisory consultation, and possible disciplinary action. The following data outlines the disciplinary procedures of the Buffalo Valley Youth Association:

- Conduct Codes A and B
 - ❖ Any violation under Codes A and /or B will result in verbal consultation by the BVYA Commission, League President, or Chairperson of the disciplinary committee, if one.
 - ❖ A second Violation under Codes A and / or B will result in a sit-down consultation between the BVYA Board and the Coach. Suspension of the coach’s privilege to manage/coach BVYA youth sports program team (s) may accompany
 - ❖ A third violation under Code A and / or B may result in termination of the coach’s privilege to manage/coach BVYA youth sports program team (s).

- Conduct Code C
 - ❖ Any violation of Code C will result in a sit-down consultation between the BVYA Board and the Coach. Suspension of the coach’s privilege to manage/coach BVYA youth sports program team (s) may accompany
 - ❖ A second violation under Code C may result in termination of the coach’s privilege to manage/coach BVYA youth sports program team (s).

- Conduct Code D
 - ❖ Any violation under Code D may result in termination of the coach’s privilege to manage/coach BVYA youth sports program team (s).

_____ Coach Name (Print)

_____ Coach Signature

_____ Date:

Adopted and approved by the Board of Directors on January 11, 2010.

Signed: *Johnie McDow*
 Johnie McDow
 President