

TAHLEQUAH RECREATIONAL SOCCER CLUB

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Youth Coaches' Code of Ethics

- Soccer is a player's game. The paramount concern of each coach is SAFETY FIRST. As well as the development, welfare, and enjoyment of each individual player.
- A coach bears the responsibility for teaching each individual player to strive for success while playing fairly, observing the laws of the game while displaying the highest level of sportsmanship.
- A coach is responsible for cultivating each individual player's love of the game. Each coach shall seek to improve his/her knowledge of the game and coaching to ensure that he/she is providing age appropriate information and the best development experience to each individual player.
- Coaches will do their best to organize practices that are fun and challenging for all players.
- Each coach carries the responsibility for teaching character building values such as respect, hard work, perseverance, courage, trust, honesty, humility and pride to each individual player.
- Each coach shall lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all players, opponents, officials and spectators. A coach shall communicate with respect and dignity and shall teach each individual player to do the same.
- Each coach shall adhere to the highest standards and regulations of the institutions he/she represents: clubs, schools, sponsoring organizations and sports governing bodies.
- Each coach shall provide a sports environment for their team that is free of illegal drugs, tobacco, alcohol, profanity, abusive language and conduct which could be deemed offensive, and will refrain from their use at all practices and games.
- A coach shall encourage everyone to use the TRSC facilities properly and to keep fields clean and free from litter.
- A coach shall seek to honor those who uphold the highest standards and principles of soccer and shall use appropriate protocol to oppose and eliminate all behavior that brings disrepute to the sport: violence, abuse, dishonesty, disrespect, and violations of the laws of the game and rules governing competition.