

LOUYAA Code of Conduct

Youth sports programs play an important role in promoting the physical, social, and emotional development of children. Therefore, it is essential for parents, coaches, spectators, and officials to encourage youth athletes and embrace the values of good sportsmanship. Furthermore, parents, guardians, family members, coaches, spectators, and officials involved in youth sports events should be models of good sportsmanship and should lead by example by demonstrating fairness, respect, and self-control.

The LOUYAA Code of Conduct has been developed for the purpose of encouraging and requiring trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, and good citizenship for all individuals involved in LOUYAA Programs.

LOUYAA shall uphold the Code of Conduct that Commissioners have developed for their individual sport or the overall LOUYAA Code of conduct, whichever sets a higher standard.

For you and your child to participate in LOUYAA programs, you and your child must read and agree with the LOUYAA Code of Conduct Rules. If you choose not to complete registration and agree to this document, your child cannot participate in LOUYAA programs.

As a LOUYAA ATHLETE, I understand and must abide by the following rules:

1. Respect the game, play fairly, and follow its rules and regulations.
2. Show respect for authority to the officials of the game and of the league.
3. Demonstrate good sportsmanship before, during, and after games.
4. Be courteous to opposing teams and treat all players and coaches with respect.
5. Respect the privilege of the use of public facilities.
6. Refrain from the use of drugs, tobacco, alcohol, and abusive language.
7. Negative tweets, or any use of social media to negatively impact or describe the league or the players will be grounds for suspension from the league.
8. I understand that physical altercations or aggressive behavior toward anyone will result in disciplinary action, including possible removal from the program.

As a LOUYAA PARENT/GUARDIAN, I understand and must abide by the following rules:

1. I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, fans, and officials at games and practices.
2. I will be responsible for all guests and family members that I invite to LOUYAA activities.
3. I will place the well-being of my child before a personal desire to win.

4. I will encourage my child to play by the rules and respect the rights of other players, coaches, fans, and officials.
 5. I will not engage in the use of profanity or any other kind of offensive language.
 6. I will not engage in verbal or physical threats or abuse aimed at any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
 7. I will respect the privilege of the use of public facilities.
 8. I will refrain from the use of drugs, tobacco, alcohol, and abusive language.
 9. I understand that any involvement in or encouragement of physical altercations will lead to disciplinary action, including removal from games or programs.
 10. I will use social media in a responsible and respectful way. I understand that using social media to criticize, harass, or negatively portray players, coaches, officials, or the league is grounds for disciplinary action, including possible removal from the program.
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Zero Tolerance Policy on Physical Altercations

LOUYAA maintains a zero-tolerance policy for physical altercations. Any physical aggression—including but not limited to fighting, pushing, shoving, striking, or threatening gestures—by players, parents/guardians, coaches, spectators, or volunteers will not be tolerated.

Violations may result in:

- Immediate removal from the event or facility
- Suspension from practices, games, or other LOUYAA programs
- Permanent dismissal from the program or future eligibility
- Notification to appropriate authorities, if necessary

All incidents will be reviewed by the LOUYAA Board of Directors. Disciplinary actions will be determined based on the severity of the incident, prior behavior, and impact on program safety and integrity.

Consequences for Violations of the Code of Conduct

LOUYAA is committed to providing a safe, respectful, and positive environment for all participants. Any violation of this Code of Conduct—by a player, parent/guardian, coach, volunteer, or spectator—may result in disciplinary action. The specific consequence will depend on the nature and severity of the violation, as determined by the commissioners of the sport.

Possible consequences include but are not limited to:

- Verbal or written warning
- Immediate removal from a game, event, or facility
- Suspension from one or more games or practices
- Temporary or permanent removal from a team or program

- Prohibition from attending future LOUYAA events
- Revocation of coaching or volunteer privileges
- In extreme cases, involvement of local authorities or law enforcement

All decisions regarding disciplinary actions will be made by Sports Commissioners and/or the LOUYAA Board of Directors and are final. LOUYAA reserves the right to act quickly and decisively to protect the well-being of all participants and to maintain the integrity of its programs.

Athlete and Parent/Guardian Acknowledgment

As a Player LOUYAA Athlete and/or Parent/Guardian, I acknowledge and agree to the established LOUYAA Code of Conduct and understand that participating is a privilege, not a right. I understand that the LOUYAA Board of Directors and/or Sport Commissioners have the right to remove a players or spectators if any behavior or conduct is deemed inappropriate. A violation of the Code of Conduct shall be just cause for my removal as a player and/or spectator.