



Scappoose Soccer Club Code of Conduct

Parents:

What can parents do to make the game of soccer more enjoyable for their children and other people's kids, too?

Avoid 'coaching' from the sideline while watching practice and/or games.

Focus on the benefits of the game and the progress in learning being made rather than any score.

Relax! Don't stress about what is happening. Your child will reflect your stress. Encourage them to have fun instead!

Be knowledgeable of the game.

Encourage fair play at home.

Be supportive: i.e., be sure the player attends practices; pick him/her up on time; call or email the coach ahead of time in case of absence.

Attend games.

Be your child's biggest cheerleader! Be positive and supportive or be quiet at games — no negative comments.

Be respectful; expect your own children to be respectful.

Volunteer to help the coach. He/she is volunteering his/her time.

Play the game of soccer with your child.

Be calm and have good manners.

Support the coach's and referee's decisions.

Encourage communication between coach and parent.

Ask your own children to describe his/her role; what new skills have been learned?

Watch practices; focus on new strategies as your child develops.

Find soccer games, watch them with your children. Attend Scappoose High School, University of Portland, or Portland Timbers/Thorns games. For schedules check out our [Live Soccer](#) page.

Concentrate on praising other people's children during games, including the other team.

Read newspaper articles about older soccer player's successes; provide role models for your children.

Resolving Problems

Talk to the person privately. If you are upset, we recommend you wait 24 hours and then determine if you want to pursue the issue. If you feel you need further guidance on an issue, please contact our [Coach Coordinator](#) or [President](#).