



# USCAA

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## USCAA PROGRAM REMINDERS FOR PARENTS

All of our athletic programs are, first and foremost, recreational programs. They are meant to give our children the opportunity to engage in and enjoy healthy physical exercise. We welcome and rely, to a very great extent, on the hard work and dedication of the many parents without whom our programs could not succeed. We thank you for that support, and ask that you keep the following guidelines in mind as you relax and share these all too fleeting moments in your child's life:

1. Emphasize improved performance over winning. Positively reinforce improved skills in your child and other children as well.
2. Be positive, encourage good sportsmanship, and keep your own emotions under control. Treat all players, coaches, officials and other spectators with respect. Avoid abusive language and unkind remarks about any player, coach or official.
3. Be a good role model; do not engage in verbal dissent from decisions by the officials. Often these officials are children themselves not much older than your child and are just beginning to gain experience in officiating. They can make mistakes, and often their calls are matters of judgment to which they are entitled.
4. Promote a drug-free and alcohol-free sports environment and refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
5. Most of all, make sure your child knows he/she has your love--win, lose or draw--regardless of performance. Say so!

If we all follow these few simple rules of common sense and good manners everyone--players, parents, coaches and officials--will have the good time our programs are intended to provide. Thank you.

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