## **Parent Code of Conduct**

Parents shall read, understand and agree to the contents of this Eastlake Little League Parent Code of Conduct prior to their children participating in our league. Any parent guilty of improper conduct at any game or practice will be asked to leave the sports facility and will be suspended from the following game. Repeat violations may cause a multiple game suspension, or the season forfeiture of the privilege of attending all games.

## PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

As a parent of an Eastlake Little League player, I commit myself to creating a positive experience for all players in the league and help the coaches reinforce sportsmanship. I understand that children are involved in organized sports for their enjoyment and I will do my best to make it fun for them. I promise to uphold the following code of conduct as stated in the ELL Local Rules and serve as a role model of these principles.

- 1. I will encourage my children to participate in sports and support their desires to play their chosen sports. I will not force my child to participate in any given sport.
- I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for our children, not for the adults.
- 3. I will inform the coaches of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
- 4. I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league.
- 5. I will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every practice, game or other sporting event.
- 6. I will not engage in any kid of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting, the use of profane language or gestures, or refusing to shake hands.
- 7. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well-being of the athletes.
- 8. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- 9. I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
- 10. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game, or his/her performance.
- 11. I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner every time.

- 12. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- 13. I will emphasize skill development and practicing, and discuss how they can benefit my child over winning. I will also de-emphasize games and competition in the lower age groups.
- 14. I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
- 15. I recognize that our coaches are volunteers and will treat them with respect at all times. I will not question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and practice.
- 16. I recognize that our umpires are volunteers and I will treat them with respect at all times. I will not argue, question or complain about umpire calls in any ways that may be heard by umpires, coaches, players, or other parents.
- 17. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all sports events.
- 18. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.
- 19. I will get my children to their practices and games on time and with all of their equipment.