

The Detroit Phoenix Elite Youth Sports Organization



**Player Code of Conduct Agreement**

As a player involved in The Detroit Phoenix Elite Youth Sports Organization, I agree to comply with the following guidelines:

- I will respect my Coaches and Organizational staff at all times as well as myself.
- I will respect my teammates and opponents at all times. I will not tease, ridicule, make fun of, or use foul language at games or practices.
- I understand my behavior is a reflection of the organization in which I represent. I will always model positive behavior both at events and any other facilities I maybe representing with the organization.
- I will always show good sportsmanship at all games, both winning and losing.
- I will always be committed to developing my skills on and off the court as a basketball player and always model positive leadership.
- I will always be prompt to practices and games and be prepared to give 100% participation.
- I understand that it is my responsibility to return my uniform to my Team Mom after every game. Uniforms are **NEVER TO GO HOME**.
- I will be committed to developing as the best basketball player to my ability. This includes attending every practice, listening to my coaches, and giving my very best effort.
- I understand that if I am having a problem with another player, I can always talk to my Coach/Team Mom. If I have a problem with the Coaches I can talk with the Director of Operations or Athletic Director.
- I will never bring any negativity to the Detroit Phoenix Elite Youth Sports organization games, practices, trips or any events.

*I understand by signing this agreement I promise to uphold the Detroit Phoenix Elite Youth Sports Organization Player Code of Conduct. I accept that a violation of this Code of Conduct may result in game, practice, and event suspensions and or termination from the Detroit Phoenix Elite Youth Organization.*

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Player Signature

Date

**The Detroit Phoenix Elite Youth Sports Organization**



**Parents Code of Conduct Agreement**

When youth are surveyed about the reasons why they play sports, the number one response youth consistently state is to have fun. In addition to the fun youth experience while playing sports, additional benefits from sport participation include physical, emotional growth and development, as well as building character. These characteristics do not happen automatically, but instead occur as a direct result of the positive efforts of parents and coaches. It is in this spirit that we created the following Parent's Code of Conduct Contract to remind parents to assist your child to maximize his/her athletic experience.

**As a parent, it is important that you:**

**Respect the game, including your child, his/her teammates and opponents.** This means ensuring that your child attends and come prepared to give 100% participation in all practices and games, and treat both teammates and opponents with dignity and respect. Good sportsmanship means playing fair and safe, controlling negative emotions and keeping the spirit of competition a healthy endeavor.

**Cheer whenever possible, and stay away from booing and any negative fan behavior.** Youth sports provide a great opportunity for positive fan support, including cheering. Booing and other negative gestures and language from the sidelines are not appropriate. Be sure to stay focused on positively supporting the kids on the court at all times. Remember, these players are kids. Whether on your child's team or not, they deserve our support. Booing, using foul language or taunting is never acceptable. Please refrain from taunting (stomping feet, yelling, or booing) during free throws.

**Respect the officials.** Referees are an important part of the sport of basketball and add to the overall experience for your child. It is important that you respect all officials and develop tolerance skills for when bad calls are made (which will happen- officials are human and like all of us, will occasionally make a mistake). When bad calls are happen, this is a great time to role model resiliency for our kids to show them that the breaks won't always go their way, but they need to keep playing. They look to you on how to act and will feed from your energy. Keep it positive and don't let a bad call break our team's spirit.

**Let the Coaches coach.** While it may be easy to second-guess your child's coach from the sidelines, most parents forget or overlook how challenging it is for coaches to manage competitive games and at the same time make sure that all of the players have an opportunity to develop. The job of being a coach is an incredibly challenging task so be sure to support your child's coach as much as possible. Please remember, all our coaches are Volunteers who have sacrificed their time to invest in your child. If you have an issue to work out with a coach, schedule time to talk before or after practice or bring the issue to the attention of our Director of Operations or Athletic Director.

**Refrain from forms of physical aggression as well as threatening language.** There is never a place in youth sports to use vulgarities, threatening, intimidating, or use physical aggression. Also please be aware of the language you may use while on the phone during games and practices. Often times we can get wrapped up in a conversation and lose track of the environment we are in. If you have to take a call that might get heated, please exit the gym and try to find a private place to conduct your call.

**Watch for the safety of all players at all times, including physical and emotional dangers.** Be sure to pay attention to injuries, including concussions, and respond to them in a timely manner. Additionally, pay attention to signs of youth sports burnout and be sure to respond to your child if he or she needs help.

I understand by signing this agreement I agree to follow the above listed principles and assist in educating any guest I may bring to the games or practices. I accept that a violation of this Code of Conduct may result in game, practice, and event suspensions and termination from the Detroit Phoenix Elite Youth Organization.

Name of Child \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_