



## Coaches Code of Conduct Pledge

The Calvert County Department of Parks & Recreation relies heavily on the assistance of Volunteer Coaches. Without the help of these volunteers, many children would simply not have the opportunity to participate in youth sports in Calvert County. As such, CCPR greatly appreciates the time, effort and dedication given freely each year by the thousands of local coach volunteers in our county.

In order to ensure that Good Sportsmanship, Fair Play, and mutual Respect among Players, Coaches, Officials, and Spectators, the following Coaches Code of Conduct has been established by the Department. The standards of behavior identified in this code are not intended to be all inclusive. Coaches should be aware that any behavior not specifically described herein but failing to meet the spirit and intent of this Code may subject those involved to disciplinary action at the discretion of CCPR.

The privilege of being part of child's "Field of Dreams" can be very but rewarding. There is no greater reward than to be a positive influence in the life of a child.

- First and foremost a volunteer coach must place the emotional and physical well-being of his or her players above all else.
- Volunteer coaches will at all times demonstrate a positive and respectful influence toward the players, parents, coaches and officials of both teams.
- Encourage the definition of success by measuring a child's personal development and enjoyment and not by wins or losses.
- Demonstrate a thorough knowledge and respect of the rules of the game and teach their players and parents to do the same.
- Refrain from any activity or conduct that may be detrimental or reflect adversely upon their Team, Club, League or Calvert County Parks & Recreation.
- Never place the value of winning before the safety and welfare of all players.
- If concerns need to be addressed, coaches will wait 24 hours then address their concerns in a concise and professional manner to CCPR and never before, during or immediately after a game.
- Lastly, volunteer coaches will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to their players and parents at all times.

By volunteering as a CCPR coach, I understand and agree that any failure to abide by the aforementioned rules and guidelines may result in disciplinary action against me and could result in loss of coaching privileges for a period of time to be determined by CCPR. Length of which is at the sole discretion of CCPR depending on the severity of the incident. I also agree to abide by all rules, policies and procedures as set forth by CCPR.

I have read and agree to the terms listed above.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent if under 18 years of age.