

## **Carolina Mustangs Athletic Association Parent Code of Conduct**

One of my goals with Carolina Mustangs Athletic Association (CMAA) is to help my child become the best athlete and person they can be. I understand that participation in CMAA requires I conduct myself with these CMAA Parent Code of Conduct at the forefront of my actions and behaviors. I understand that a failure to meet these expectations will mean that I will not be permitted to attend practices or games.

**ATTENDANCE:** I will help my child attend all practice sessions, matches and games. If my child is unable to attend, I will notify the coach or assistant coach at least 24 hours prior to the session to be missed. I will provide a calendar of known dates that conflict with my commitment to practices and games in advance to my child's Coach. I will never take my child from a practice or game without first notifying my child's coach.

**SPORTSMANSHIP:** I will always be an example to my child in the area of good sportsmanship during practices and games. I will refrain from criticizing officials, opposing players, other parents, coaches, my child's teammates, and my child. I will exhibit exemplary sportsmanship whether the team is winning or losing, playing well or not playing well. I will be a positive model to my child, the other players, their parents and the coaches.

**HELPFULNESS:** I will help my child arrive early to all practice sessions and games. As a parent, I will assist with gym or team cleanup, and encourage my child to share all referee, line judge and work responsibilities. I will offer assistance to the Team Manager with communication to fellow parents.

**COURTESY:** I will never use inappropriate language or gestures during practice, matches or games or while representing CMAA.

**COOPERATION:** I will cooperate, with my child's coaches and parent teammates, with the parent representative regarding team issues and financial commitments, and with the CMAA Board of Directors on questions or concerns regarding the team.

**APPEARANCE:** I assist my child with appropriate dress, in the team uniform, for all games.

**COMMITMENT:** I will regularly check my email and the CMAA web site and Facebook page, recognizing this electronic method is the primary means of communication for practice changes, team assignments, etc. I will make sure my child has transportation to and from all practices, matches and games.

**COMMUNICATION:** I will allow my child to work to resolve problems or issues on the team with the coaching staff. I will NEVER confront any of my child's coaches at a game, match or practice about playing time or coaching techniques. If I absolutely feel the need to discuss this type of problem with my child's coach, I will ask to schedule a meeting involving the CMAA Chairperson and the child's coach.

**ATTITUDE:** I will encourage my child to work hard at practices and games and to take the time with the team seriously. I will assure my child is attentive and focused on the coach's instruction. I will support the coach's suggestions for my child's improvement with eagerness and appreciation.

**PLAYING TIME:** I understand that playing time is earned, coaches do not guarantee any playing time. I will not ask the coach for playing time and support coach's decision

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**FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS:** I will make timely payment of my share of all dues, assessments and expenses of my child's team. I understand that the budget is a good faith estimate of team costs and that any cost adjustments due to changes in estimates of practice, gym costs, travel costs or match schedules will be calculated and, if such changes cause an increase in cost estimates for my child's team, upon my notification, my share of the difference will become immediately due and payable to CMAA. I also understand that team costs are incurred pro-rata among the players. In the event my child leaves the team, I am still responsible for all of the charges for the entire season, other than my child's out-of-pocket travel costs. Failure to make timely payments may incur penalties and cause my child to be excluded from practices and/or playing in matches until my account is current.

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Parent's Signature

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