



PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

The Dixie Soccer Club is committed to providing a safe and welcoming environment where all players can develop and thrive. Parents play a crucial role in shaping their child's experience in the sport. Positive relationships between parents, players, and coaches are essential to fostering a supportive team environment.

For the purpose of this code, "parents" refers to both parents and guardians. This code applies to all parents who are members of the Dixie Soccer Club or have children who are members. Parents must adhere to this code at all times while participating in any Dixie Soccer Club practice, game, or activity.

Parent Responsibilities

1. **Model Positive Behavior** – Conduct yourself with fairness, integrity, open communication, and mutual respect.
2. **Set a Good Example** – Demonstrate responsible behavior and encourage your child to do the same. You are primarily responsible for your child's conduct and attitude on the field.
3. **Show Respect** – Treat all individuals—including teammates, coaches, officials, volunteers, and other parents—with dignity, courtesy, and respect.
4. **Avoid Inappropriate Behavior** – Refrain from using profane, insulting, harassing, sexist, racist, abusive, or otherwise offensive language or behavior.
5. **Promote Sportsmanship** – Emphasize values such as respect, teamwork, cooperation, and fair competition. Praise effort, participation, and skill development.
6. **Encourage Life Balance** – Help your child maintain a healthy balance between soccer and other aspects of life.
7. **Promote a Healthy Lifestyle** – Encourage nutritious food choices and an active lifestyle.
8. **Set Realistic Expectations** – Focus on your child's enjoyment and development rather than winning.
9. **Build Confidence** – Support your child's skill development without comparing them to others.
10. **Celebrate Achievements** – Acknowledge progress, effort, and milestones in their soccer journey.
11. **Prioritize Well-being** – Support your child's overall growth by ensuring proper rest, nutrition, training, and emotional well-being.
12. **Ensure Proper Equipment** – Make sure your child wears appropriate soccer attire, including cleats, futsal or turf shoes (as required), shin guards, and sport spectacles if needed.
13. **Prohibit Alcohol & Drugs** – Never provide alcohol or drugs to minors at any club event, activity, or competition.
14. **Follow Local Laws** – Adhere to City of Mississauga By-laws regarding alcohol and drug consumption in city parks and facilities.
15. **Comply with Smoking Laws** – Follow the Smoke-Free Ontario Act, 2017 regarding legal smoking and vaping areas.
16. **Reject Performance Enhancing Drugs** – Never promote or provide performance-enhancing substances.

17. **Protect the Club's Reputation** – Avoid any behavior that could harm the reputation of the Dixie Soccer Club.
18. **Uphold the Code of Conduct** – Support and encourage other parents to follow these guidelines.
19. **Follow Organizational Rules** – Adhere to the policies and ethics of the Dixie Soccer Club, Peel Halton Soccer Association, Ontario Soccer, and Canada Soccer.
20. **Discourage Profanity & Violence** – Never promote or engage in inappropriate language or violent behavior.
21. **Embrace Diversity** – Foster a culture of tolerance, inclusivity, and respect for all.

By following this code, parents help create a positive and enriching environment where all players can develop their skills, enjoy the sport, and grow as individuals.