



“The vision of a champion is someone  
bent over hands on knees, drenched in  
sweat, to a point of exhaustion, when  
no one else is watching”  
Anson Dorrance

## PARENT AGREEMENT

Parents, you are not only a supporter of your own child but a role model to them as well. Your actions reflect upon your child, his/her team and the CLUB. We ask that you remember the training sessions and games are for the benefit of the player and the team, not for you. Encourage and support your child in meeting their soccer responsibilities.

There will be no coaching by parents! No matter how good your intentions are, we have to insist there be no shouting of instructions to your player or complaining to the officials during games. Your vocal support and positive encouragement after a good play is very welcome. “GO” “RUN” “SHOOT” “KICK IT” are all considered a form of coaching and are not welcome. It is very important to the player’s development that they learn to think for themselves on the field and that they only hear the coaching staff’s instructions. Anyone other than the coaching staff telling them what to do becomes confusing. Players shall be given only one set of instructions, by the coaches involved voices, before, during and after all games and practices. No one other than the coaching staff will be allowed on or near the team bench before and during games. Please respect the space and privacy necessary for the coaching staff to carry out their responsibilities.

The DSC’s first concern is for the long-term growth and development of the players as a person along with their soccer abilities under pressure. There will be times the coaching staff will make decisions and the players will be instructed to do things that parents will not understand. CLUB, team and player development will be given a greater priority than winning, especially at the Development and Academy levels. Parents must understand the reasons behind these rules are for the overall greater good of their young soccer player. Remember we are trying to build a healthy environment for the players to flourish and only playing to win without taking the CLUB, team and player development into account will not result in the solid foundation upon which the young players will need to succeed in the future.

Parents are welcome to watch practice but please remain off the training field and on the outside of the whole training fields as not to interfere with other sessions

For the good of the player, team and club it is important that all the players attend the training and games. We respectfully ask that missing soccer practice not be used as punishment. If a player must miss a practice or game, please discuss with the coach ahead of time. It is understood that academics are the top priority but being a “student athlete” means the player is able to organize and prioritize both to miss neither.

Parents will help the team and club provide a good learning environment for the players by positive encouragement at all times. Parents will maintain a high level of composure and refrain from inappropriate behavior, profane or abusive language and negative comments towards both sets of players, coaches, referees and the other team’s parents.

Fighting or physical violence will result in a club suspension; any further issues will result in dismissal from the club. Ejection of a family member, not a parent, for inappropriate behavior, will be dealt with in the same manner.

Do not argue with the referee or the assistant referee’s.

Parents will refrain from making negative comments about the coach or other players on the team in front of your child or another family.

Parents will refrain from talking to the coach during games unless it is to point out an important safety issue.

Parents will wait 24 hours if they have an issue with the coach to discuss. Do not approach the coach right after the game, emotions are too high to talk reasonably and calmly.

Parents will not run out onto the field to help an injured player unless the coach asks them to assist. Do not run on to the field to chastise an opponent for a tackle that injured your child. Let the coach and the officials do their job.

Parents will be alcohol and drug free when on the teams sideline at games and practice.

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Parent’s Signature	Date	Print Name	Date
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