

RARO COACH'S PLEDGE OF CONDUCT AND PHILOSOPHY

I will adhere to the RARO Philosophy of Youth Sports that places a premium on sportsmanship, positive coaching and full participation.

I understand that the “process” is more important than the “product” and that the teaching and coaching is more important than the outcome of the game.

A coach needs a good dose of patience. Always remember that playing youth sports is meant to be fun.

I understand that by becoming a RARO coach that I become a role model. As such, I recognize that my conduct at practices and games has an influence on others and I will strive to exhibit positive behaviors.

I will encourage the parents and fans of my players to exhibit positive behaviors and appreciate the efforts of both teams.

I will ensure that my practice and game sites are safe and I will report any unsafe conditions to the RARO staff immediately.

Keep emergency phone numbers and medical info on your players at all times.

No coach should leave practice/game until all players have been picked up by a parent or guardian.

I will respect and encourage respect for my fellow coaches, their teams, the officials and the supervisors at RARO practices and games. I understand that very often teams and fans follow the behavioral leads of coaches.

I pledge to put the well-being of the youngsters first and refuse to use fear or intimidation to “motivate” youngsters.

I pledge to coach youngsters as individuals that all are different and have different skill levels and personalities.

I pledge to do my best to teach not only the skills of the game but also teamwork, sportsmanship and respect for others.

I will try to become a better coach by learning and teaching the correct fundamentals and rules of the game.

I pledge that I will remember that the program is for the children and their benefit and that I, as an adult, am responsible for keeping a proper perspective; that the game is “theirs”.

A coach can measure success by the respect he or she gets from the players. Children who mature socially and physically while participating in youth sports are the best indication of good coaching.

Sign _____ Date _____