



Ford Sayre Parent Code of Conduct

As a parent or guardian of an athlete participating in Ford Sayre programming, you play a vital role in fostering a positive and successful environment for all participants. Our program thrives on mutual respect, teamwork, and a commitment to the development of each athlete, both on and off the snow. By registering your child, you agree to uphold the following Parent Code of Conduct:

1. Support and Encouragement

- I understand that my role as a parent is to provide positive support, encouragement, and guidance to my child and their teammates.
- I will help create a positive environment by promoting sportsmanship, respect, and enthusiasm for the sport.
- I will encourage my child to give their best effort and to enjoy the experience, regardless of competition results.

2. Communication and Concerns

- I acknowledge that if I have concerns regarding my child's progress or performance, I will address them privately with their coach or program head, and not in front of my child or other athletes.
- Coaches are focused on training athletes during practice times. If I need to discuss any issues, I will request time outside of practice to do so.
- I will communicate any concerns in a respectful and constructive manner, understanding that our coaches are dedicated to doing their best for all athletes.

3. Respect for Practice and Training

- I recognize that practice time is for training, and I will respect the coaching staff's time and focus by refraining from interruptions.
- I will not engage in coaching from the sidelines or interfere with my child's training sessions.
- I understand that my child's improvement and enjoyment of the sport come from their participation and commitment.

4. Commitment to the Team and Organization

- I acknowledge that I am part of a larger community, and I will support the team, coaches, and organization as a whole.
- I will demonstrate respect towards all athletes, coaches, officials, and other parents.

- I will share any concerns or feedback respectfully with the appropriate individuals and refrain from negative commentary about the club, coaches, or athletes, recognizing that such behavior can impact the positive culture we aim to foster.

5. Positive Attitude Toward Competition

- If my child participates in competitions, I will maintain a positive attitude towards their performance by focusing on their effort and other factors under their control, regardless of the outcome of the competition.
- I will encourage my child to focus on personal goals, effort, and sportsmanship rather than solely on the results sheet.
- I will be mindful of my own expectations—for both my child and the team—and support a healthy, balanced approach to growth, competition, and enjoyment.
- I will respect officials, competitors, and event organizers, understanding that all aspects of competition contribute to my child's development.

6. Volunteer Opportunities

- I acknowledge that Ford Sayre is a non-profit organization that relies on the support of its volunteers, and I will consider contributing my time and talents to my child's team or to the organization.
- I will explore volunteer opportunities, such as assisting at events, fundraising, or helping with administrative needs, to enhance the experience for all athletes.

By signing this Parent Code of Conduct, I acknowledge my role in supporting a positive and productive environment for my child and the entire snowsports community. I understand that failure to adhere to these principles may result in a discussion with program leadership regarding my involvement in the program.

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