

Northern Region School Sport

Code of Conduct – Parents & Spectators



Parent's Code of Conduct

As a Parent or Guardian:

- Cooperate with the team officials to achieve the best outcomes for your child.
- Support team and event officials in maintaining a safe and respectful learning environment for all students.
- Maintain positive relationships with team officials regarding your child's learning, well-being and behaviour.
- Encourage participation by your child.
- Provide a model of good sportsmanship for your child.
- Be courteous and constructive in your communication with players, team officials, game officials and sport administrators.
- Encourage honest effort, skilled performance and team loyalty.
- Do not interfere with the conduct of any events.
- Show respect and behave in a manner that respects the rights of all others regardless of the medium of communication used, e.g. verbal, physical, digital media such as Twitter, Facebook, email and texts.
- Adhere to the Department of Education's policy of a smoke, alcohol and drug free environment.

Spectator's Code of Conduct

As a Spectator:

- Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour.
- Remember children play for enjoyment. Don't let your behaviour detract from their enjoyment.
- Let game officials conduct events without interference.
- Support skilled performances and team play.
- Show respect and behave in a manner that respects the rights of all others regardless of the medium of communication used, e.g. verbal, physical, digital media such as Twitter, Facebook, email and texts.
- Adhere to the Department of Education's policy of a smoke, alcohol and drug free environment.

Breach of the Code by Parents and Spectators

Team managers and event organisers may deal immediately with any breaches of this code by warning offenders about their conduct, asking offenders to leave venues, and calling police to intervene where necessary. The Department, through Queensland School Sport (QSS), is responsible for imposing any longer term consequences such as written warnings, or barring attendance at future events for a period or indefinitely.

Parents and spectators should note that it is an offence to insult (meaning "to treat insolently or with contemptuous rudeness, to abuse") an officer of a state educational institution – Section 333 Wilful Disturbance, of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 (EGPA). Parents and spectators will be afforded natural justice in respect of breaches of this code and for any discipline under the EGPA.

