

VOLUNTEER COACHING CONTRACT

POLICY # XXX

I understand that my responsibilities as a volunteer youth coach are of great importance and that my actions have the potential to significantly influence the young athletes whom I coach. Therefore, I promise to uphold the following rights of young athletes to the best of my ability.

1. The right to participate in sports.
2. The right to participate at a level appropriate to each child's maturity and ability level.
3. The right to receive qualified adult leadership.
4. The right to play as a child and not as an adult.
5. The right to share in the leadership and decision-making of their sport.
6. The right to participate a safe and healthy environment.
7. The right to proper preparation for participation in sports.
8. The right to an equal opportunity to strive for success.
9. The right to be treated with dignity.
10. The right to have fun in sports.

I also promise to conduct myself in accordance with the Code of Ethics for Coaches as given below.

1. I will treat each player, opposing coach, official, parent and administrator with respect and dignity.
2. I will do my best to learn the fundamental skills, teaching and evaluation techniques, and strategies of my sport.
3. I will become thoroughly familiar with the rules of my sport.
4. I will become familiar with the objectives of the youth sports program with which I am affiliated. And I will strive to achieve these objectives and communicate them to my players and their parents.
5. I will uphold the authority of the officials who are assigned to my sport, and I will assist them, in every way, to conduct fair and impartial competitive games.
6. I will learn the strengths and weaknesses of my players so that I might place them into situations where they have a maximum opportunity to achieve success.
7. I will conduct my practices and games so all players have an opportunity to improve their skill level through active participation.
8. I will communicate to my players & their parents the rights & responsibilities of individuals on our team.
9. I will protect the health and safety of my players by insisting that all the activities under my control are conducted for their psychological and physiological welfare, rather than for the vicarious interests of adults.
10. I will adhere to all Williston Parks and Recreation Department policies and procedures.

With my signature, which I voluntarily affix to this contract, I acknowledge that I have read, understood, and will do my best to fulfill the promises made herein.

Signature of Coach: _____

Print Name: _____

Date: _____

