**Youth Sports Coaches Code of Conduct**

This agreement outlines the expectations for ALL volunteer coaches participating in youth sports and recreation programs. Our goal is to foster a safe, respectful, and inclusive environment that promotes positive development and community pride.

**Coach Responsibilities**

As a volunteer coach, I agree to:

* Create a safe and welcoming environment for all participants
* Promote sportsmanship, teamwork, and respect
* Maintain a positive and enthusiastic attitude at all times
* Teach age-appropriate skills and encourage personal growth
* Communicate respectfully with players, parents, officials, and staff
* Understand it is a privilege to coach for Banks County Parks and Recreation Department program and that the game is for the children NOT the adults
* Follow all department policies, league rules, and safety protocols
* Lead by example in demonstrating sportsmanship and fair play to ALL players and be gracious winners and good losers
* Respect game officials, opposing teams, coaches, parents and recreation staff at all times
* Use equipment and facilities responsibly
* Report injuries, misconduct, or concerns to Parks & Recreation staff promptly
* Attend practices, games and meetings as assigned for the entire season
* Abide by the BCPRD “ZERO” Tolerance Policy and all league affiliated rules and regulations
* Maintain a proper relationship with players both on and off the field and report any/all inappropriate conduct to the BCPRD staff in writing

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**Prohibited Conduct**

I understand that the following behaviors are strictly prohibited.

* Use of profanity, abusive language, or inappropriate gestures
* Physical punishment, intimidation, or aggressive behavior
* Discrimination or harassment of any kind
* Consumption of alcohol, tobacco or illegal substances during activities
* Unauthorized communication with minors outside of scheduled events
* Failure to comply with mandated reporting or safety procedures

**Safety & Compliance**

* I will complete all required background checks, training, and certifications
* I will maintain appropriate boundaries with youth participants
* I will follow emergency procedures and cooperate with staff during incidents
* I understand that violations may result in disciplinary action or removal

Acknowledgment

I, the undersigned, have read and agree to abide by the Banks County Parks and Recreation Volunteer Coach Code of Conduct. I understand that my role is a privilege and that I serve as a role model for youth in our community.

Coach Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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