

Humble-Atascocita Football League

A Winning Tradition!

2008 Coaches Code of Conduct

All Coaches in the HAFL will abide by the rules and provisions of the HAFL Coaches Code of Conduct. If any of these rules are broken, the HAFL Board of Directors shall have the authority to impose a penalty, including but not limited to immediate suspension of a minimum of one game. The opportunity to coach youth football is a privilege not a right.

Remember The HAFL Four Basic Principles:

Everyone Plays, Balanced Teams, Positive Coaching and Good Sportsmanship.

As a Coach in HAFL I agree to:

1. HAFL is for youth amateur football players. They are not allowed to receive cash rewards of any kind for any reason on any HAFL/LSYFA facility or practice site. Taking a team for ice cream or for a Pizza party is an acceptable reward for Team performance.
2. Dress appropriately. You are a representative of the HAFL. All apparel shall not contain obscene sayings, language, slogans or have any derogatory statements toward referees, opponents or League officials.
3. Not allow in-appropriate t-shirts, signs or banners to be worn or displayed at any HAFL/LSYFA facility or practice site that may be deemed as un-professional, rude, crude or disrespectful to opposing teams, referees or League officials.
4. Abstain from the possession and drinking of alcoholic beverages and the possession or use of any illegal substance at HAFL/LSYFA facilities or team practices. Coaches are not allowed to be intoxicated at any time at a HAFL/LSYFA facility or team practice.
5. Not smoke and/or use smokeless tobacco on the HAFL/LSYFA game fields or at team practices.
6. Not use abusive or profane language at any time when at HAFL/LSYFA facilities or at team practices. This includes before, during and after games.
7. Not criticize players in front of spectators, but reserve constructive criticism for later, in private or in the presence of team members if team members might benefit. When disciplining your players be consistent and fair.
8. Not criticize an opposing team, its players, coaches, fans, referees or HAFL Board of Directors by word or gesture.
9. Not physically or verbally abuse my team or the opposing team's players, fans, spectators, referees or the HAFL Board of Directors. (This includes my own children).
10. Accept the decision of the game officials and HAFL Board of Directors on the field of play and all meetings of the HAFL as being fair and called to the best ability of said officials and Board Members.
11. Not deliberately incite unsportsmanlike conduct from my coaching staff, players or fans. Accept the results of each game and encourage your team to be gracious in defeat, and convey that losing can be a triumph if the team has given its best.
12. Be jointly responsible, together with game officials for the conduct and control of my team, coaching staff, fans and spectators. Any fan who becomes a nuisance and out of control will be asked to leave. Any of the aforementioned may be asked to leave as well.

Coach

Date