

## MARSHFIELD UNITED CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARENTS AND SPECTATORS

Marshfield United is a collaboration. In order to create the best environment possible for all involved, then parents, players and coaches must work together.

Parents have a very important role to play in supporting your child and the club. Below are four non negotiable rules we need you to follow:

- 1. Support your child
- 2. Support the club
- 3. Support the team
- 4. Be a role model

# 1. Support you child

Parents can help by:

- Ensuring players arrive on time to all events.
- Encouraging independence reminding players to have everything they need for practices or games, and not directing players in practices or games. "The game belongs to the kids so let them play it."

# 2. Support the club

Parents can help by:

- Discussing the player's code of conduct with your child.
- Communicating with the club or coach of any problems you or your child have experienced.
- Communicating any conflicts as early as possible if your child can't attend a club event.
- Volunteering to help where needed.

### 3. Support the team

• We want kids to have fun. Excessive shouting and directing of players can be stressful for players and take away from their enjoyment. We want to encourage independence & confidence. We want kids to make their own decisions and to learn from mistakes. Please don't coach your child or others from the sidelines. Leave that to the coach. We do however want to hear you give lots of praise and encouragement to all the children!

### 4. Be a role model

- Parents, please set a good example for your child and others. Don't argue or debate with the coach, other parents, referees, opposing coach or opposing parents. Please applaud for the children and always encourage them to try their best.
- Remember that our goal is to create the best environment possible for kids to learn, play, experience and enjoy soccer. Youth soccer is a time when players can learn and develop their mental and physical capabilities, as well as tactical and social. Winning isn't everything.

#### Consequences for not adhering to our non-negotiable rules:

• If you break these rules, you may be issued a verbal warning from a club director, required to meet with a club director, requested by the club to not attend future events, suspended from future events, or maybe even required to leave the club along with any dependents.

Signature: .....

Date: .....