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Ellington Parks & Recreation Department *Parent/Spectator Code of Conduct*

In the spirit of good sportsmanship and favorable spectator involvement at Ellington Parks and Recreation sporting events, parents and spectators are asked to conform to high standards of behavior. Cheering in a positive fashion is welcome and encouraged. However, expressing any negative behavior or comments toward other spectators, players, coaches or officials is unacceptable. This includes but is not limited to: booing, foul and abusive language, shouting at officials and arguing calls.

These guidelines apply to all parents and spectators, both from Ellington and any opposing town. Parents of participating children will be held responsible for the conduct of their guests.

Any parent or spectator who does not behave appropriately will be asked to leave the event. If the decision is Made for the parent or spectator to leave, play will not resume until they have left the facility. If they refuse to leave, the team they are associated with will forfeit, and the game will be suspended at the point of interruption.

All violations will be reported to the Ellington Parks and Recreation Department. Based on the severity of the infraction, violators will be subject to disciplinary action that will include, but not be limited to, the following:

Minimum Penalty: Immediate suspension of the parent or spectator from all town recreational activities for two-week period of time

Maximum Penalty: Immediate suspension of the parent of spectator from all town recreational activities for an indefinite period of time

Any threatening altercations with referees, site personnel, other coaches, players, or other fans, whether verbal and/or physical, SHALL result in the immediate disciplinary action(s) referenced herein.

While reports on game incidents are welcome from coaches and/or the affected parent or spectator, the referee and/or site supervisor reports will take precedence in all cases in any subsequent disciplinary process.

We appreciate your cooperation in supporting our commitment to good sportsmanship and respect for others during our events!