

## **CODE OF CONDUCT**

### **PURPOSE:**

CMLA requires all members and volunteers to behave with integrity and courtesy in order to maintain a sportsmanlike and educational atmosphere before, during and after all CMLA sanctioned events. CMLA codes of conduct outline the expectations for coaches, players, parents and on-floor officials. The CMLA board, and subsequent committees, may discipline anyone who contravenes the codes of conduct.

### **PROCESS:**

#### **PARENTS CONDUCT**

1. Encourage, do not force an unwilling child to participate in sports.
2. Remember children are involved in organized sports for their enjoyment, not yours.
3. Insist your child always play by the rules.
4. Realize the importance of practice in developing your child's necessary lacrosse skills.
5. Never determine the worth of your child by whether the team won or lost a competition. Teach your child that honest effort is as important as victory so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment.
6. Be positive and encouraging to your child. Turn defeat into victory by helping your child work towards skill improvement and good sportsmanship. Never yell at your child for making a mistake.
7. Remember that children learn best by example. Applaud good plays by your team and by member of the opposing team.
8. Do not publicly question an official's judgment and never their honesty.
9. Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from children's sporting activities.
10. Recognize the value and importance of volunteer coaches. They give of their time and resources to provide recreational activities for your child.
11. Do not discuss other team players as to their ability or aptitude in front of your own child.
12. Should you have a concern regarding your child, be considerate of the coach and pick an appropriate time for discussion on the matter. Immediately after a game is generally not the right time.

13. You acknowledge the volunteer policy, as attached, and agree to these terms and conditions.

### **SOCIAL MEDIA CONDUCT**

The CMLA recognizes the vital importance of participating in online conversations and are committed to ensuring that we participate in online social media in an appropriate, positive, respectful manner.

1. The CMLA expects that all members are aware of, and respect, these social media guidelines.
2. If anyone is found to be in violation of the guidelines to the extent that it is damaging to the CMLA, its community, and its players, it will be handled using the provisions of the CMLA CODE OF CONDUCT.
3. Non-compliance with this policy may be considered misconduct, harassment, discrimination, or in certain circumstances, contravention of the law. Those who fail to comply with the guidelines may be disciplined.

**NOTE:** We are bound by the BCLA Code Of Conduct. As a member of CMLA, you must abide by this code in full. To access the BCLA Code Of Conduct, please refer to the BCLA website.

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Parent Name

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Parent Signature

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Date