



Code of Conduct - Parents

Everyone has a responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour in the game. Parents', carers' and spectator's expectations and attitudes have a significant bearing on a player's attitude towards:

- Other Players
- Referees
- Team Officials
- Spectators and Others

The Sarnia Academy supports the OSA's initiatives to ensure soccer can be enjoyed in a safe and positive environment. We all have to remember that youth soccer is a time for players to develop their technical, physical, tactical and social skills. Winning isn't everything.

Parents, carers, guardians and spectators are expected to play their part and observe the OSA's Code of Conduct and at all times:

- Remember that players play for FUN.
- Applaud effort and good play as well as success.
- Always respect the match officials' decisions.
- Remain outside the field of play and within the Designated Spectators' Area.
- Let the team official do their job and not confuse the players by telling them what to do.
- Encourage the players to respect the opposition, referee and match officials.
- Avoid criticizing a player for making a mistake – mistakes are part of development.
- Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting, or abusive language or behaviour.

The following actions may be taken by the Sarnia Academy, District Association, League or the OSA toward any parent, carer, guardian or spectator who does not follow the Code of Conduct and as such may be:

- Issued with a verbal warning from the Sarnia Academy or league official.
- Required to meet with the Sarnia Academy committee.
- Obligated to leave the match venue by the Sarnia Academy
- Requested by the Sarnia Academy not to attend future games.
- Suspended or have my Sarnia Academy membership removed.
- Required to leave the Sarnia Academy along with any dependents.