

BYF Parent Code of Conduct

Youth Sports can sometimes bring out the worst in adults. In order to provide a safe and positive environment, all parents must read, agree and sign the following Code of Conduct Form. If we do not have your signed Code of Conduct on file, you will not be allowed at BYF practices or games.

By enrolling my child in Bemidji Youth Football I agree to the following:

- 1. I will not force my child to participate in BYF. My child is here because they want to be.
- 2. I will remember that the goal of BYF is for kids to have fun learning the game of football and not winning at any cost. This game is for them, not me.
- 3. I will inform BYF staff or coaches about any physical disability or ailment that may affect my or another child's safety.
- 4. I will learn the rules of our league and the policies of BYF.
- 5. I will exemplify sportsmanship and treat each player, coach, official, parent and spectator with respect at every BYF event and practice.
- 6. I will not engage in or initiate any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with officials, coaches, players, parents or spectators including but not limited to booing, taunting, using profanity or vile gestures.
- 7. I will not engage in behavior that may endanger the health or well-being on another (smoking, drinking, use of drugs while at BYF events).
- 8. I will encourage and teach my child to play by the rules and learn how to resolve conflict without resorting to verbal hostility or violence.
- 9. I will praise my child for competing fairly and making their best effort at BYF.
- 10. I will not ridicule or yell at my child for perceived mistakes or losing a game.
- 11. I will emphasize skill and development and not outcome.
- 12. I will treat all BYF youth as they were my own.
- 13. I will respect the officials and their judgment and promise to NEVER approach an official before, during or after a game to complain or offer correction.
- 14. I will remain in the parent section of games and practices unless I am a registered coach of my child's team. (See field map drawings for parent sections)

By signing this document I agree that if I fail to abide by the aforementioned rules and guidelines I will be subject to the league disciplinary policy actions.

League Disciplinary Actions and Protocol*

First Offense – Verbal Warning and request to comply, cease or desist from inappropriate action.

Second Offense – Ejection and removal from the current BYF event, practice or game by BYF Admin.

Third Offense – Multiple Game and/or practice suspension.

Fourth Offense – Contact Bemidji Law Enforcement and permanent disbarment from all BYF events, practices and games.

*All incidents will be documented by BYF.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE BEMIDJI YOUTH FOOTBALL PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY ITS RULES BY PROVIDING MY SIGNATURE BELOW. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT IF I DO NOT SIGN, MY CHILD WILL BE UNABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BEMIDJI YOUTH FOOTBALL PROGRAM.

Childs Name:	Parent/Guardian Name(s):
Child Age:	Parent/Guardian Signature:
Child DOB:	Parent/Guardian Signature:
Grade and School this Fall:	Date Signed: