

Aberdeen Hockey Association Parent Sportsmanship Contract

The objectives of the Aberdeen Hockey Association related to student athletes are:

1. Develop the key skills for success as an adult.
2. Develop the fundamental physical skills for athletic endeavors.
3. Develop lifelong vocational and recreational interests.

Parent's Creed

I will be the positive role model my child needs to become a successful adult. In victory, I will be gracious, humble and thankful. In defeat, I will be strong, honest and accepting.

Commandments for Parents

1. I will make sure my child knows I love them in the thrill of the victorious moment and the period of agony brought by defeat.
2. I will let the coaches coach – my role is to support, encourage, and motivate progress on a daily basis.
3. I will teach my child to enjoy the thrill of competition – the fulfillment of just being part of it all – and the satisfaction of having done their very best.
4. I will not re-live my athletic career through my child in any way.
5. I will never compare and contrast the skills, courage or attitude of my child with that of their teammates, or opponents in a negative manner.

Parents and Sportsmanship

1. You are a fan and spectator – that is your role – play it well.
2. You are not the coach – so don't coach.
3. You are not an official – so don't referee.
4. You are the host for all visiting teams – treat them with respect and dignity.
5. Cheer for our team – not against the opponent.

Parent/Coach Communication

Issues not appropriate for parents to discuss with coaches

1. Playing time
2. Team strategy
3. Play calling
4. Other athletes
5. Coach's skill & knowledge of the game

I have read and understand the AHA Parent Sportsmanship Contract: _____ Date: _____

Print Parent Name: _____ Print Player Name: _____

Parent signature: _____ Player Level: _____