Vanden Jr Vikings Youth Football & Cheer
Code of Conduct

Vanden Jr Vikings is a Youth Football and Cheer program for the youth in our community. The organization is run entirely by volunteers. Fans, players, and coaches are expected to abide by a code of conduct at all youth events. While most will follow the rules there are a few that can make it unpleasant for everyone else. This code protects the children, parents, and volunteers (including coaches and all board members) of the Vanden Jr Vikings organization. The Vanden Jr Vikings have a zero-tolerance policy where the safety and well-being of the youth are concerned.

FAN CODE OF CONDUCT

1. Not criticize the players/cheerleaders or coaches in front of the other spectators in the stands.
2. Accept decisions of the game officials (including referees and coaches) on the field as being fair and called to the best of their ability.
3. Not criticize the opposing team, its players, coaches, or fans verbally or physically.
4. Refrain from using physical or verbal abuse or profane language at any time at the game, on the practice field, or at any Junior Viking or youth football event.
5. Abstain from being under the influence of or in possession of and/or drinking alcoholic beverages and the possession or use of any illegal substance on both the game and practice fields. No tobacco or vape usage on school grounds.
6. Not be allowed on the sidelines of any game or practice.
7. Not interfere/interrupt the coaching staff before, during or after games or at practice.
8. Not express complaints about coaches in stands or to coaches in front of or around the children.

ATHLETE CODE OF CONDUCT

The player agrees to:

-Emphasis the ideals of sportsmanship, ethical conduct, and fair play.
-Show courtesy and respect to teammates, coaches, opponents, and all officials.
-Make a commitment to themselves, their parents, coaches, and their team to always work 100% at practice and in games.
-Not use profanity, derogatory comments, or talk “trash” before, during, or after any game.
-Not use drugs, alcohol or tobacco.
-Not criticize my teammates.

PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Parents agree to follow all listed items below in addition to the Fan Code of Conduct:

-Support their child’s team at practice & at games
-Show respect and courtesy to opponents, officials, and other Vanden Jr Vikings organization members.
-Direct constructive criticism to the President, Athletic Director, or Board of Directors and work towards a positive outcome for all concerned.
-Not use profanity, or criticize the coaching staff or any official.
-Not undermine the authority of the coach or administration.
-Intrude onto the field, be on the sidelines or yell from the bleachers at any player, coach, referee, or board member.
-Not use ANY type of physical violence/threats toward anyone involved in the organization.
-Not to bring ANY form of a weapon or any object that can cause harm to anyone in the organization

VIOLATION

Any parent or fan who violates the code of conduct risks the further participation of the child in the program. The procedure for violation is as follows:

1. **Any athlete, fan and/or parent will be issued a warning.**
2. **If a second incident occurs the player/fan/parent will be asked to leave or escorted by police if necessary.**
3. **If the parent/fan refuses to leave the *player* will be removed from the program immediately w/no REFUND of any fees/fundraisers, etc. _____Initial to agree to terms of violation**

We have read the Code of Conduct and understand what is expected. ANY violation will result in immediate removal of participant(s)/parent and agree to as such.

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Player Name/Signature Parent Name/Signature Date