

## **Diamond Council Code of Conduct**

Diamond Council programs promote the physical, social, and emotional development of the youth of Columbia and surrounding communities. Therefore, coaches and parents should encourage children to embrace the values of good sportsmanship, and should model good sportsmanship by demonstrating fairness, respect and self-control. For a child to participate in Diamond Council programs the child's parents must obey this Code of Conduct. Parents and coaches must be responsible for their words and actions while attending a Diamond Council event, and obey this Code of Conduct.

Parents must not engage in or encourage their child or anyone else to engage in:

1. Unsportsmanlike conduct with any coach, parent, participant, official, or other attendee;
2. Any behavior that would endanger the health, safety, or well-being of any coach, parent, participant, official, or other attendee;
3. The use of profanity;
4. Treating any coach, parent, participant, official, or other attendee with disrespect based on race, creed, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation or ability;
5. Verbal or physical threats or abuse of any coach, parent, participant, official, or other attendee;
6. Initiating a fight or scuffle with any coach, parent, participant, official, or other attendee;

Parents who violate this Code of Conduct while attending a Diamond Council event, will be subject to disciplinary action by authorized game or Diamond Council officials, including but not limited to the following in any order or combination:

Verbal or written warning;  
Suspension or immediate ejection from a sports event; and/or  
Season suspension or multiple season suspension.