Gold Crown Foundation: Spectator Code of Conduct 2025

Spectators play a vital role in creating a positive, supportive, and respectful environment for all athletes, coaches, and officials. As a spectator at Gold Crown Foundation events, I agree to uphold the following standards:

Commitment to Respect and Positive Behavior

As a spectator, I will:

- Encourage and support all athletes, regardless of team affiliation.
- Promote sportsmanship and respect for coaches, officials, players, and fellow spectators.
- Applaud effort, improvement, and fair play.
- Allow coaches to coach and officials to officiate without interference.
- Address any concerns privately and appropriately, following a 24-hour cooldown period if needed.
- Any adult who observes or suspects child abuse is encouraged to report it to 1-844-CO-4-Kids or 911. If you see something, please say something and feel empowered to intervene and keep children safe. This includes actions that are physical, emotional, sexual, and neglectful abuse. You do not need eyewitness evidence to report.

Game Day and Event Conduct

To ensure a positive experience for all participants, I will:

- Remain at least two yards from the playing field or designated competition area.
- Refrain from coaching from the sidelines or distracting players during games.
- Respect officials' decisions and avoid arguments, criticism, or disruptive behavior.
- Follow all venue rules and safety guidelines set by Gold Crown Foundation.
- Avoid physical or verbal altercations with anyone at program events.

Prohibited Conduct

The following behaviors are strictly prohibited and may result in removal from the event:

- Using abusive, profane, or inappropriate language at any event, including practices, games, tournaments, team meetings, or fundraisers.
- Providing or offering illegal substances, including alcohol, marijuana, and nicotine (including vaping) to any athlete at any program event or facility.
- An athlete may not be given over-the-counter drugs, prescription drugs, or supplements without prior parental/guardian consent.
- Taunting, intimidating, or harassing players, officials, coaches, or other spectators.
- Consuming or being under the influence of alcohol or drugs at any program event.
- Engaging in behavior that jeopardizes the safety or well-being of an athlete or any other participant.

Compliance and Accountability

I acknowledge that:

- Any spectator who fails to adhere to this Code of Conduct may be required to leave the event, with play suspended until compliance is restored.
- Repeated or extreme violations may result in bans from future events.

By attending a Gold Crown Foundation event, I agree to abide by this Spectator Code of Conduct and contribute to a respectful, safe, and positive environment for all.

Zero Tolerance Policy

The head coach is responsible for the conduct and behavior of all bench personnel (all individuals who are part of or affiliated with a team, including, but not limited to; players, coaches, spectators, manager(s), scores table operator(s) and statistician(s). Gold Crown will not tolerate any inappropriate behavior or unsportsmanlike conduct. The following actions will result in an automatic technical foul assigned to the coach, or dismissal without refund.

- No parent or spectator is allowed to communicate or interact with the official/rules coach, regardless of intention. If a parent or spectator physically or verbally assaults an official/rules coach, local police will be summoned to the property.
- All issues must be directed through the head coach; parents or spectators are not allowed to approach site directors and/or official/rules coach regarding any event concerns.
- A Player, Coach or Spectator who is removed from a Gold Crown event will forfeit their privilege of attending the following game, and possibly forfeit their future status with Gold Crown.