



## **Youth Sports Rules and Regulations**

1. Athletes must comply with **all** current rules as established by the following:

- A. GREAT LAKES INDEPENDENT FOOTBALL CONFERENCE LEAGUE RULES
- B. OSHKOSH EAGLES FOOTBALL CLUB CORP CODE OF CONDUCT AND ANTI-BULLY POLICY (SEE ATTACHED)

2. Athletes are expected to obey in-season training rules as established by their coaches. Coaches will notify athletes and parents/legal guardians in writing (via the Oshkosh Eagles Youth Football Code of Conduct and Anti- Bully Policy) of training rules and disciplinary measures to be used for rules infractions prior to the season opening.

3. Verbal abuse, specifically the use of profane language, will not be tolerated on the part of participants (athletes, coaches, parents, spectators). During team sport contests, the minimum penalty for athletes is removal and benching for the remainder of that period (quarter, inning, etc). During individual sports, the minimum penalty for athletes is disqualification from the next scheduled event.

4. Athletes must refrain AT ALL TIMES (in and out of season) from using, possessing, buying and/or selling tobacco products, intoxicating beverages or illegal drugs. In addition, athletes are to refrain from engaging in any act in violation of, or subject to, penalty under Wisconsin State Statues. A violation of this rule will result in disciplinary action.

5. Athletes suspended from school may not practice, compete, or participate in athletics while a suspension is in effect.

6. Hazing is prohibited for all elementary and middle school athletic activities. Participating in or unreported knowledge of hazing activities will result in disciplinary action.

7. To participate in games, all athletes must be in good standing with all scholastic requirements.

8. All participants (coaches, players, parents) must behave in a civil manner and refrain from the use of abusive or foul language/behavior during games and/or practices. When confronting calls/decisions, all participants are expected to observe a 24-hour rule (allow at least 24 hours from the time of occurrence before raising/responding to a concern).

[PARENTS/LEGAL GUARDIANS & ATHLETES] My son/daughter and I have read and understand the rules and regulations printed on this card and agree to abide by them. We further acknowledge that failure to abide by any Oshkosh Eagles Youth Football eligibility regulations could result in loss or limitation of the privilege of participation in Oshkosh Eagles Youth Sports Activities.

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

Athlete Signature

[COACHES] I have read and understand the rules and regulations printed on this card and agree to abide by and uphold them. I further acknowledge that failure to abide by any Oshkosh Eagles Youth Football regulations could result in loss or limitation of my participation in Oshkosh Eagles Youth Sports Activities.

**Coach Signature** 

Date

Date

Date



## Oshkosh Eagles Youth Football (Oshkosh Eagles Football Club Corp – OEFC) Code of Conduct and Anti- Bully Policy



The OEFC all its Teams & Associations believes that all Student/Athletes have a right to a safe and healthy team environment. The administrators, coaches, Student/Athletes and community have an obligation to promote mutual respect, tolerance, and acceptance.

The OEFC and all its Teams & Associations will not tolerate behavior that infringes on the safety of any Player. A Player shall not intimidate, harass, or bully another Player through words or actions. Such behavior includes: direct physical contact, such as hitting or shoving; verbal assaults, such as teasing or name-calling; and social isolation or manipulation.

The OEFC and all its Teams & Associations expects Student/Athletes administrators, coaches and/or Student/Athletes to immediately report any Code of Conduct violations or incidents of bullying to a coach, team manager, league administration, board of directors or designee. Coaches who witness such acts take immediate steps to intervene when safe to do so. Each instance of Code of Conduct violations or of bullying should be promptly investigated. This policy applies to Student/Athletes on and off the field, while traveling to and from games and or practices and at league/team/conference sponsored activities.

To ensure bullying does not occur, the OEFC and all its Teams & Associations cultivate acceptance and understanding in all Student/Athletes and coaches to build each organization's capacity to maintain a safe and healthy team environment.

The Parent/Player Code of Conduct includes, but is not limited to:

- I will demonstrate good sportsmanship regardless of the score. I will shake hands with the other team and officials at the conclusion of all games.
- I will show respect to all game officials, coaches, student athletes, and parents.
- I will not argue with or question decisions made by the on-field game officials.
- I will not use drugs, tobacco or alcohol at any practice or game and will remind others on my team not to do so.

## Anti-bullying Policy:

Any Player who engages in conduct unbecoming of an Eagle Student/Athlete or bullying may be subject to disciplinary action up to and including suspension from their respective team and or squad. Student/Athletes are expected to immediately report any incidents to the Head coach, Club President, parent or designee.

Student/Athletes can rely on staff to promptly investigate each complaint of bullying in a thorough and confidential manner. If the complainant Player or the parent of the Player feels that appropriate resolution of the investigation or complaint has not been reached, the Player or the parent of the Player should contact the OEFC board of directors. The NQBC prohibits retaliatory behavior against any complainant or any Player in the complaint process.

The procedures for intervening in bullying behavior include, but are not limited, to the following:

- All coaches, team managers, Student/Athletes and their parents will receive a summary of this policy prohibiting intimidation and bullying: at the beginning of the football/cheer season, as part of the organization's paperwork delivery/collection to parents.
- The organization will make reasonable efforts to keep a report of bullying and the results of investigation confidential.
- Coaches and or team managers who witness acts of bullying shall take immediate steps to intervene when safe to do so.
  People witnessing or experiencing bullying are strongly encouraged to report the incident; such reporting will not reflect on the target or witnesses in any way. Student/Athletes are to resolve their disputes without resorting to violence.
- Student/Athletes are encouraged to help fellow Student/Athletes resolve problems peaceably.
- Student/Athletes needing help in resolving a disagreement, or Student Athletes observing conflict should contact a coach, club president, or parent.