



## PARENT HANDBOOK

We, Clutch Athletics, have implemented the following Clutch Parent Code of Conduct for the message it holds about the proper role of parents in supporting their child in sports.

Parents should read and understand this form prior to their children participating at our facility or with our teams.

Any parent guilty of improper conduct at any game or practice will be asked to leave the sports facility and be suspended from the following tournament, practice, camp, clinic, lesson, etc. All occurrences will be handled on a case by case basis. Repeat violations may cause a multiple tournament suspensions, and/or season forfeiture of attending all games.

We believe these attributes are essential, but not limited to, character-building, integrity and ethics in sports:

- Trustworthiness
- Respect
- Responsibility
- Fairness
- Caring
- Good Citizenship

### Therefore I agree:

1. I will respect the coaches and officials and their authority during games and practices and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed time and place.
2. I will remember that children participate to have fun, learn life skills, be a part of a team, pursue personal development and that Clutch's games and development are for youth, not adults.
3. I will inform the coaching staff or Clutch Athletics staff of any physical disability or ailment that may create risk for my own child and other participants.
4. I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of Clutch Athletics or host fields.

5. I will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials, opponents, and spectators at every game, practice, camp, clinic, instructional lesson or tournament.
6. I will not produce any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any officials, umpire, coach, player, or parent such as yelling, screaming and taunting, or using profane language or gestures.
7. Severe unsportsmanlike behavior will result in disciplinary action. Steps will taken to protect the integrity of the game, coaches, umpires and players including, but not limited to, contacting law enforcement if necessary to keep the peace and to protect the safety of all in attendance.
8. Discipline or consequences are on a case by case basis reviewed by Clutch Athletics' staff. Authority to deny participation by the parent(s), guest(s) or student(s) are solely at the discretion of Clutch Athletics. Any player, manager, coach or fan ejected from a game must leave the facility immediately and will serve a minimum 1 additional tournament suspension. During the suspension the ejected person may not be at the ballpark at anytime.
9. I will not allow my behaviors to endanger the health and well being of the athletes.
10. I will teach my child to play with integrity and by the rules of the game; and to resolve conflicts in a mature and respectful way.
11. I will not allow my child treat other players, coaches, officials, umpires and spectators with disrespect or hatred no matter the race, creed, color, sex or ability.
12. I will teach my child that doing ones best does not always result in winning, and losing is an opportunity to learn.
13. I will never scream, yell or demean my child or any other participants for making mistakes or losing.
14. I will encourage skill development and practices and how they benefit my child.
15. I will encourage the well being of the all athletes affiliated with Clutch Athletics and other organizations ahead of any personal selfish desire.
16. I will not force my child to play sports at Clutch Athletics.
17. I will refrain from the use of drugs, tobacco and alcohol at the Clutch facility and host fields.
18. I will be a humble source of encouragement to my child and allow the coaches to coach during games and any Clutch program.
19. I will respect the Clutch facility and all grounds. I will keep my belongings organized and clean up after myself. I will be an example for my children and others by assisting in the well being of the facility.
20. I will remain in the designated area while my child is participating in a lesson and arrive early to discuss areas of concern with the instructor. I will be respectful of everyone's time and effort at Clutch.