



MYHA Policy

Policy Title: **Middleton Youth Hockey Association Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct**

Effective Date: April 2019

- I. Purpose: Code of Conduct
- II. Persons Affected: Parents/Guardians associated with Middleton Youth Hockey
- III. Policy

It is the philosophy of Middleton Youth Hockey Association (MYHA) to promote the advancement of youth athletics through hockey by developing teamwork, sportsmanship, respect and camaraderie while enhancing hockey skill, social development and competition.

To support this philosophy, all players and parents/guardians are expected to maintain and demonstrate these attributes not only on the ice, but at all times during their association with MYHA. The Board of Directors has therefore adopted the following Code of Conduct.

### **Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct**

All parents/guardians are expected to display a positive attitude and conduct themselves in a sportsman-like manner while attending practices, games, and any other MYHA event.

1. Players play, coaches coach, parents are cheerleaders. Please do not attempt to coach your child from the stands during games or practices. It is distracting not only for your skater, but the other skaters and coaches as well. Let them play and learn on the ice with their teammates and coaches.
2. USA Hockey has a zero tolerance policy for abuse of officials. MYHA abides by that policy as well. Abuse of on or off ice officials is grounds for immediate dismissal from the rink. Repeated violations of this policy could lead to being barred from attending your skater's games.
3. 24 Hour Rule – wait 24 hours to approach a coach or club representative if you are upset about a situation on or off the ice. Waiting for emotions to subside will result in a more productive conversation
4. Don't put the player in the middle – don't voice disapproval of a coach or teammate with your child present. If you feel that a coach is mishandling a situation, take it up discretely with the coach and/or the Age Level Director.
5. Parent/guardian behavior should be a good example for your skater to follow.
6. Discuss the Player Code of Conduct with your skater and ensure they understand the expectations of them.
7. It is expected that MYH members would remind other MYH members of these above guidelines if it was felt that this code of conduct was not followed so that MYH could

maintain the highest standards and always provide a safe and fun environment for hockey.

### **General**

Any player, parent/guardian, coach or team rep may bring forth to the Board of Directors any incident or behavior by a player, parent/guardian or coach which, in their opinion does not support the philosophy of MYHA.