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# ARVADA HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

## PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

### Arvada Hockey Association (AHA) General Guidelines:

As an active organization in the community, AHA parents, guardians and family members are expected to hold themselves to the highest degree of moral standards emphasizing respect for individuals and for the spirit of the game.

Parents, guardians and family members understand that playing for AHA is a privilege that requires commitment to upholding the values of the organization both on and off the ice.

Parents, guardians and family members understand that they are responsible for the behavior of any guests they invite to AHA activities and events. Guests are expected to follow the same standard of behavior as family members.

To remain in good standing, all parents, guardians and family members must:

- Show **respect** for facility personnel, coaches, players, officials, and the league
- Demonstrate good **sportsmanship** before, during, and after games
- **Respect** the game by encouraging fair play and following rules and regulations.
- Refrain from abusive or offensive language, gestures, and music.
- **Respect** the privilege of the use of the facilities
- Comply with the rules and regulations and policies of USA Hockey, CAHA and Leagues

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### **Creating a Safe and Positive Environment:**

AHA is dedicated to promoting a positive, safe, and welcoming environment at all our games and events. We strive to build confidence, character, and a sense of community among our members. Any efforts to undermine the positive environment will not be tolerated.

- Parents, guardians and family members will be positive role models and will encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and support of all team players.
- Parents, guardians and family members will not engage in any unsportsmanlike conduct toward the officials, coaches, players or other parents. This includes any comments negative in nature, booing, taunting, or using profane language or gestures.
- Parents, guardians and family members will emphasize skill development and practices over winning.
- Parents, guardians and family members agree to respect the locker rooms as private areas for players, coaches and officials.
- Parents, guardians and family members will never question the official's judgment or honesty in public.

### **Substance Policy:**

AHA believes in the importance of maintaining a healthy environment for our players to train and compete. To that end, Parents, guardians and family members will actively support a sports environment that is free from drugs, tobacco and alcohol and understand that violation of this may result in a child's suspension from AHA.

Players are prohibited from possessing, using or consuming the following substances in all AHA Facilities and at all AHA Functions:

- Illegal drugs
- Marijuana and substances derived from marijuana
- Alcohol
- Tobacco
- Nicotine

Furthermore, vaping and the use or possession of similar products are expressly prohibited in all AHA Facilities and at all AHA functions under this policy.

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### **Respect for Facilities and Equipment:**

AHA parents, guardians and family members will care for and respect the facilities and equipment made available during the course of the season. Furthermore, AHA parents, guardians and family members will commit to maintain the cleanliness and condition of all facilities used for AHA functions and activities.

AHA parents, guardians and family members are expected to follow the rules and procedures of any facilities the team visits for games or other functions during the season. Those that are not willing follow facility rules will not be allowed to participate in the event at that facility - no exceptions.

This includes but is not limited to:

- Apex Center
- AHA Off Ice Facility
- Other Ice Rinks & Locker Rooms
- Hotels
- Restaurants
- Any other location visited for AHA Functions

### **Addressing Parent Concerns:**

AHA understands that over the course of the season issues and concerns may arise that need to be addressed. AHA believes that addressing these issues directly and in a timely manner is the most effective policy for all parties.

- Whenever possible, Parents, guardians and family members should abide by the 24 hour “cooling off” period before raising their concerns.
- Most issues, including playing time, team policies and team discipline should be discussed with the Head Coach/Assistant Coach at the proper place and time.
- Other issues can be addressed with the appropriate Age Division director or with the AHA Hockey Directors.
- Parents, guardians and family members who have followed the above steps and still do not feel their concerns have been addressed should contact the AHA President ([president@arvadahockey.com](mailto:president@arvadahockey.com)).



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### **Discipline:**

AHA is committed to fostering a healthy, safe and positive environment for our players, coaches and families. Parents, guardians and family members that fail to follow the code of conduct as laid out in this document shall be subject to discipline which may include, but not be limited to, removal from team activities, being prohibited from attending future team activities, and dismissal from the association.

Discipline shall be handled by the team coach, Hockey Directors or AHA Board of Directors as needed.

### **Commitment to Excellence:**

As the parent/guardian of an Arvada Hockey Association player I, \_\_\_\_\_ will conduct myself in accordance with this code of conduct. Further, I understand that violation of this code of conduct or any violation of Federal, state, or local laws and/or ordinances will result in disciplinary action that could result in suspension or immediate dismissal from the association and forfeiture of all fees.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_