#### 2020 Kingston Huskies Football & Cheer Organization

# COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT



I understand that the purpose of the **Kingston Huskies Football & Cheer Organization (KHFCO)** is to provide a wholesome athletic environment that inspires the youth (regardless of race, creed, color, or sex) of Kingston, or any areas considered open territory, to practice the ideals of good character, sportsmanship, teamwork, mental and physical health, healthy competition and strive to be "the best that they can be."

We emphasize sportsmanship, teamwork and respect for authority figures (Directors, Coaches, and Game Officials). Our focus is on developing good life skills through the sport of football. KHFCO will not tolerate verbal or physical abuse of its volunteer coaches, referees, or players from any Parent, Player, or Spectator. Spectator, as well as the players and coaches, are expected to abide by the code of conduct described here at all KHFCO and WVWYFCC events. While most of the adults and children in the program will abide by this code without being instructed, it is being published to protect the children, the integrity of our program, and emphasize the values of KHFCO.

# With regard to my players:

I believe that my role as a coach is to contribute to the overall success, physical, and athletic growth of the player through participation in football.

- I will endeavor to be a good instructor and a positive role model for my players.
- I believe that the score of a game comes second to the safety and welfare of all my players.
- I will endeavor to put winning in its proper perspective.
- I am responsible for understanding and competing within the letter and the spirit of the rules of the Game.
- I will teach my players to understand and play within the letter and spirit of the rules, as well.

## With regard to opposing teams:

I believe that the way my team conducts itself can also have an influence, for better or worse, on those we compete against.

- I will endeavor to make my team a positive role model.
- I will not coach, nor allow my players to play, with intent to cause injury to opposing players.
- Neither I nor my players will display hostile behavior towards opposing players.
- Neither I nor my players will speak in a negative manner toward any member or spectator from the opposing team.
- I will emphasize winning without boasting and losing without bitterness.

### With regard to Referees:

I believe that Referees, just as coaches and players, are attempting to do their best.

- I will instill in my players and spectators a respect for that fact.
- I understand that my attitude can influence my players and spectators.
- I will display a controlled and undemonstrative attitude toward Referees at all times.
- Neither I nor my players will address a Referee before, during or after the game in a demeaning fashion.

Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their players on their sideline, specifically as it relates to the referees, coaches, players and spectators on the other team. Verbal and/or physical abuse will not be tolerated. Any coach showing this type of behavior may face disciplinary action.

Coaches should avoid approaching a referee or stepping on to the field to challenge a call in a demeaning way. They may be asked to leave the game and the incident will be presented to the board to be reviewed. I further understand that my failure to abide by this code of conduct may result in disciplinary action by the league which may include but is not limited to game suspension and/or my rights to participate as a coach for Kingston Huskies Football & Cheer Organization or the Wyoming Valley West Youth Football & Cheer Conference.

| Print Name _ |                |                    |       | ☐ Head            | ☐ Assistant | ☐ Junior |
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| Signature:   |                |                    |       | Date:             |             |          |
| ☐ Football   | ☐ Cheerleading | Age Level: □ D □ C | □В □А | Season Effective: |             |          |
| Witness:     |                |                    |       | Date:             |             |          |