



Westcastle International Academy

PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Westcastle International Academy (WIA) fully supports and expects positive behaviour on and off the soccer field through the support of all coaches, parents, players, volunteers, and officials.

Respect is the responsibility of each participant in soccer to create an environment that is both safe and enjoyable for all who take part.

Parent Code of Conduct

Parents and all other spectators are asked to observe the WIA Parent Code of Conduct at all times:

1. I will not force my child to participate in sports;
2. I will remember that my child plays sport for his or her enjoyment, not for mine;
3. I will encourage my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence;
4. I will teach my child that doing one's best is as important as winning so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game/event;
5. I will make my child feel like a winner every time by offering praise for competing fairly and trying hard;
6. I will never ridicule or yell at my child for making a mistake or losing a competition; and
7. I will remember that children learn best by example. I will applaud good plays/performances by both my child's team and their opponents.

Spectator Policy

1. I will remain outside the field of play and within the designated spectators' area (where provided);
2. I will respect the match officials' decisions and never publicly question the officials' judgment or honesty;
3. I will respect and show appreciation for the volunteer coaches who give their time to provide sport activities for my child;
4. I will not interfere at any time with the duties and responsibilities of the coach or manager, including coaching from the sidelines during games or practices;
5. I will comply with the rules, policies, and procedures of the team and the Academy as they apply to me;
6. I will not act in any manner that is detrimental to the team or the Academy;
7. I will support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from children's sporting activities; and
8. I will never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting, or abusive language or behaviour toward any official, coach, player, parent, or Spectator.

Discipline

Discipline issues related to coaches, players, and parents at games are handled either by the league or, in more serious cases, by BC Soccer. Refer to BC Soccer's Conduct, Ethics and Discipline Standards and Policy.

For discipline issues that are not game-related, and are instead an internal issue, the process outlined in WIA's Dispute Resolution and Appeals policies will be followed for those wishing to issue a complaint against a player, team official, parent, staff member, volunteer, or anyone else aligned with WIA.