

PARENT/GUARDIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

Lake Minnetonka Figure Skating Club is committed to creating a safe and positive environment for its members' physical, emotional and social development. LMFSC seeks to foster an environment free of misconduct.

Preamble: The essential elements of character-building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core principles: respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, trustworthiness and good citizenship. The highest potential of sports is achieved when competition reflects these Six Pillars of Character.

Parents at LMFSC agree to:

- Parent(s)/guardian(s) will encourage good sportsmanship by their actions, demonstrating positive support for all skaters, coaches, and officials at every practice, competition, and test session.
- Parent(s)/guardian(s) will place the emotional and physical well-being of their child and others ahead of the desire to win.
- Parent(s)/guardian(s) will encourage their child to skate in a safe and healthy environment by maintaining a respectful and courteous attitude towards others.
- Parent(s)/guardian(s) will promptly inform their child's coach of any physical or mental disability or challenge affecting their child that may impact the safety of their child or others.
- Parent(s)/guardian(s) will teach their child that doing their best is more important than winning.
- Parent(s)/guardian(s) will not ridicule, bully, blame, or yell at their child or other skaters, coaches, officials, or volunteers in response to a poor performance or for any other reason.
- Parent(s)/guardian(s) will do their best to make skating fun at all times and will remember that their child participates in sports for their own enjoyment and satisfaction.
- Parent(s)/guardian(s) will teach their child to treat other skaters, coaches, fans, volunteers, officials, and rink staff with respect, regardless of race, creed, color, sexual orientation, or ability. They will also take action and report any acts of bullying, harassment, or abuse to the appropriate authorities.
- Parent(s)/guardian(s) will applaud any effort in both victory and defeat, emphasizing positive accomplishments and learning from mistakes.
- Parent(s)/guardian(s) will teach their child to resolve conflicts calmly and peacefully without resorting to hostility or violence.
- Parent(s)/guardian(s) will be positive role models for their child and others.
- Parent(s)/guardian(s) will demand a figure skating environment for their child that is free of drug or alcohol abuse and agree not to provide to a third party any illegal drug prohibited by applicable federal, state, or municipal law.

- Parent(s)/guardian(s) will not assist or condone any athlete's use of a banned substance as described by the International Olympic Committee, International Skating Union, United States Olympic Committee, or U.S. Figure Skating, nor encourage athletes to use such drugs or refuse properly conducted drug tests administered by these organizations.
- Parent(s)/guardian(s) will expect their child's coach to be in compliance with all requirements of U.S. Figure Skating and the Professional Skaters Association, and to continue their education and training through programs offered by these and other accredited organizations.
- Parent(s)/guardian(s) will respect their child's coach and refrain from "sideline" coaching their child or other skaters.
- Parents/guardians must respect the confidentiality of communications with their child's coach. Discussions, emails, texts, or other correspondence on sensitive issues are private and may not be shared with others without consent. Parents/guardians must ensure their skater understands and respects confidentiality related to sensitive issues.
- Parent(s)/guardian(s) agree to educate themselves regarding the proper procedures for establishing or terminating the coaching relationship and will refrain from third-party solicitation as outlined on the PSA website.
- Parent(s)/guardian(s) will respect the decisions and authority of officials during competitions and test sessions and will teach their child to do the same.
- Parent(s)/guardian(s) will show appreciation for and recognize the importance of volunteers and club officials, and will fulfill their responsibility to help their club with membership requirements.
- Parent(s)/guardian(s) will support and respect all skaters and their right to participate.
- Parent(s)/guardian(s) have read, understand, and agree with the LMFSC Skater Code of Conduct and agree that their child's behavior shall conform thereto.