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**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS  
OF INDIAN RIVER COUNTY**

**Soccer Registration**

- **There is a \$10.00 registration fee per member.**
- **Please PRINT legibly.**

Members Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

- **Each member will receive a jersey.**

Jersey Size (Please Circle):

(Youth)	S	M	L	XL
(Adult)	S	M	L	XL

**Attached is the Boys & Girls Clubs of Indian River County Athletics Code of Conduct. Please read the Message to Parent and Message to Athlete and include the signed documents with your application.**

All information regarding the Soccer League will be available on our website at [www.bgcirc.org](http://www.bgcirc.org) under the Athletics tab. Any further questions can be addressed to Gardy Desrosiers ([gardydesrosiers@bgcirc.org](mailto:gardydesrosiers@bgcirc.org)).

# **Boys & Girls Clubs of Indian River County**

## **Athletics Code of Conduct**

### **Mission/Belief Statement**

The mission of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Indian River County is to enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.

It is our belief that athletics provide opportunities and experiences for all participating members to learn life-long values in a safe and positive environment.

These values include: Sportsmanship, Discipline, Respect, Leadership and Pride

The athletes, coaches, staff and parents of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Indian River County believe that:

1. Athletes will have opportunities to develop leadership characteristics through athletic competition that carry into their academics and future goals.
2. Athletes serve as role models within the club, school and community and are expected to act in a manner that reinforces that role.
3. Self-discipline and sportsmanship are essential to a solid athletic foundation.
4. Pride builds respect, of self and others which help create strong and lasting friendships through competition.
5. Participation in athletics is not a right but a privilege that comes with responsibility.
6. A strong commitment is important to success.
7. Athletics should be fun and rewarding while providing learning experiences.

### **Sportsmanship**

As an athlete and as parents, you can help us establish an outstanding reputation for good sportsmanship. We must all work hard in conducting ourselves in a commendable manner. A display of unsportsmanlike conduct can result in sanctions against the offending athlete, parent and club. Always observe the following guidelines for good sportsmanship:

1. The good name of our organization is more important than any contest or event won by unfair play.
2. Be supportive of all athletes, coaches and officials before, during and after all contests.
3. Accept the decisions of officials without dispute. They are seldom responsible for your success or failure, so do not blame them for your circumstances.
4. Recognize and show appreciation for the fine play of your opponents.
5. Be proud of your club's reputation and work hard to protect it.
6. Cheer for your team, not against the opponent.
7. Do not allow others' negative sportsmanship to become an excuse to do the same.

## **Message to the Parent**

This message and material is presented to you because your child is or has indicated a desire to participate on an athletic team at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Indian River County. You have also expressed your willingness to allow them to join the team and compete. Athletics is a small part in what we do at the Boys & Girls Clubs but we believe that it provides many opportunities and experiences that will promote your child's personal, athletic and academic growth.

As a parent/guardian of an athlete, you also have committed yourselves to certain responsibilities and obligations, which are outlined in this Athletics Code of Conduct. Your signature on the Athletics Code of Conduct, along with the signature of your child, indicates that you understand and accept those responsibilities and obligations, and agree to cooperate with club staff in enforcing the Athletics Code of Conduct. Compliance with the Athletics Code of Conduct is mandatory and essential to the success of the athletic program. Failure to comply with the Athletics Code of Conduct may lead to discipline and possible expulsion from the team or club.

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Indian River County strives to provide 5 key elements for positive youth development:

1. A Safe, Positive Environment
2. Fun
3. Supportive Relationships
4. Opportunities and Expectations
5. Recognition

Good sportsmanship is encouraged and expected from our fans and spectators at all times during athletic events. Failure to exhibit good sportsmanship may result in removal from the event and/or future events.

We believe athletics is an integral part in the Boys & Girls Club experience, both as a competitor and spectator. We look forward to working with you and your child as they participate in their chosen sport.

**Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **Message to the Athlete**

Athletics is a small part in what we do at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Indian River County. It is no more important than Education, Character & Leadership Development, the Arts or Career Development. As an athlete or member of a sports team, you will be held accountable in all aspects of the Boys & Girls Clubs. This includes during your time in the club or at a supervised, club endorsed program, activity or event outside of the club.

As an athlete and member of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Indian River County you have made a choice to uphold certain standards and expectations:

1. You will not use vulgar or profane language anywhere or at any time.
2. You are to be well mannered and polite.
3. You must be respectful to all staff and volunteers.
4. Clothing you wear at competitions must be worn in a neat and mannerly fashion.
5. You will exhibit appropriate behavior at all times.

Your participation in athletics is a privilege and should be treated as such. Any time you practice or compete you are representing yourself, your family, your Club and the Boys & Girls Clubs of Indian River County. Other members, staff, parents and the community will closely observe your conduct and behavior.

The Athlete Code of Conduct is established to help you succeed and be the best you can be. Failure to follow this conduct and behavior will result in removal from the team and possibly club. As an athlete you will be expected to understand and abide by these rules and conduct. You have a responsibility to yourself, your Club and to others.

Lastly, whether you are a member of the Fellsmere, Sebastian or Vero Beach Club, you are still part of the same organization and belong to the Boys & Girls Clubs of Indian River County. Athletes from all clubs will be held equally accountable to the Athlete Code of Conduct.

**Member Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_