



South Central School Sport Association – Codes of Conduct

For the Coach;

- The rules for all interschool carnivals are set by the Association. They must be abided by at all times.
- Teach the Rules – to players and parents. Ensure your players always play by the rules.
- Develop team respect for opponents, umpires and coaches. It is also a coach's responsibility to ensure that this respect is also shown from the parents of the players in your team. This includes showing
- Create a **Safe, Fun and Fair** team environment for your players
- Ensure all players are rotated throughout the day. This involves ensuring that all players are given equal opportunity to game time and playing positions.
- Ensure training suits the needs of all players
- Focus on the child's efforts and self esteem rather than winning or losing. Your success as a coach is not measured by winning shield
- Remember you are representing your school and your students, setting an example to your players / parents.
- Foster high standards of behaviour for your students.
- Speak to students / parents / spectators that are not following the Codes of conducts stipulated by the SCSSA, reminding them of the expectations regarding behaviour.
- The SCSSA Interschool's philosophy is about kids **participating**, **having a go** and **having fun**.
- Coaches shake hands with umpires prior to every game.
- Coaches should encourage students who wish to try an unfamiliar sport and this should not disadvantage the child's selection....it's not about building dream teams



South Central School Sport Association – Codes of Conduct

For the Player;

- Play by the rules.
- Never argue with an umpire or an official. If you disagree, move on.
- Respect for the umpire's decision. There is zero tolerance towards umpire abuse. Any abuse of umpires, officials or other players is not acceptable. Indiscretions of this kind may result in suspension of games or upcoming carnivals.
- Be a team player.
- Be a good sport at all times.
- Treat all players fairly, both on your team and the opposition.
- Cooperate with your coach, team mates, umpires and opponents. Without them there would be no competition.
- Play for the "fun of it" and enjoy the experience. Whilst it is nice to win, participation and enjoyment are the most important aspects of the interschool program.
- No bad language of any kind will be tolerated. Again suspension may occur.
- Be prepared to take responsibility for your actions.



South Central School Sport Association – Codes of Conduct

For the Spectator;

Spectators Code of Conduct

The SCSSA is very mindful the role parents play in their child/ren's sporting lives, therefore the Association has adopted similar principles from AFL Kids First philosophy.

The basic principles are to remind adults that:

1. Sport for children is a vital part of their growing up.
2. Children like to win, but more importantly, they want to have fun.
3. Parents / coaches need to set the right example at the sports ground, not just at home.
4. Adults should be proud of a child's efforts irrespective of the result.
5. Sport is important to children's self esteem.

Parents / spectators should;

- Always encourage participation and not force it upon the child
- Teach that effort and participation is the victory, not the winning,
- Always respect the umpire's decision – **ALWAYS!!** Encourage kids to always play by the rules and accept the umpire's decision at all times. The SCSSA will take a zero tolerance approach to umpire abuse.
- Often umpires are juniors themselves, learning their roles on the day.
- Never ridicule mistakes or yell at a child for making mistakes or losing,
- Remember, involvement is for their enjoyment, not yours. Interschool is about the kids.
- Remember, they learn best by example. Applaud both teams.
- Never publicly disagree with any official.
- The coordinating teacher will be wearing a vest.
- Never engage verbally with students from other schools (if you see an incident please refer straight to the teacher in charge.....do not take matters in to your own hands)
- Remember that smoking and the consumption of alcohol is unacceptable at any interschool event.
- There is a process that will be take place for any indiscretions;
 - Step 1 – verbal warning given
 - Step 2 – the offender may be asked to leave the carnival
 - Step 3 – communicate with the teacher in charge of the school
 - Step 4 – Phone principal, administration or police depending on the situation