

**FARMINGTON ROCKETS**  
**YOUTH FOOTBALL AND CHEERLEADING PROGRAMS**  
**Parent's Code of Conduct Contract**

**Mission Statement**

"The Farmington Rockets Football Program is a volunteer driven, nonprofit organization whose mission is to help the youth of Farmington and Farmington Hills to develop the knowledge of and skills for youth football and cheerleading. We strive to teach and model the values of sportsmanship, teamwork and fair play to each participant and offer a positive, life building experience in a safe and healthy environment. Most importantly, we will have fun."

I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care and encouragement for my child participating in the Farmington Rockets Youth Football and Cheerleading Programs by supporting the mission and following this code of conduct:

- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all participants, (football players and cheerleaders), Coaches, Board Members, League Officials, Game Officials, etc., at every practice, game and at any other Farmington Rockets activity or event sponsored by the Michigan Youth Football and Cheer Conference (MYFCC).
- I will place the emotional and physical well being of my child ahead of any personal desire to win and I will applaud good effort in victory and defeat and emphasize the positive points of the game.
- I will support the MYFCC Rules and the Farmington Rockets Team and Coaches' rules.
- I will respect and support the Farmington Rockets' Coaches and Board members.
- I will emphasize the benefit of skill development and practices and how this will benefit my child's game/performance.
- I will make every effort to have my child at every practice and game on time and have them fully prepared with the required uniform and equipment.
- I will make every effort to be on time to pick up my child at the end of practice.
- I will remember that the game is for the participants and not for the adults.
- I will ask my child to treat other participants, coaches, Board members, officials, and fans with respect.
- I understand that the Farmington Rockets is a non-profit volunteer driven organization and I will support the Farmington Rockets organization by cheerfully volunteering with concessions, fundraising, "chain gang", etc., or at least two of the many activities, jobs, or committees that fit with my talents.
- I will be courteous to the participants, coaches, fans of the Farmington Rockets and opposing teams.
- I will respect the Farmington School District properties that we use for practices and games and will follow the rules that they and the State of Michigan set forth for field usage. This includes the state law that prohibits smoking on any public school property.
- I will never embarrass my child or the Farmington Rockets organization by verbally abusing/insulting participants, coaches, Board members, other parents or officials. Also, I understand that the stands are not the place to shout personal instruction.
- If something occurs with which I disagree, I will calmly seek an appropriate solution, at the appropriate time. I understand that instigating or participating in a confrontation in front of any child is never appropriate and will not be tolerated.
- I will never lose sight of the fact that I am a role model. I understand that children imitate their role models and by acting appropriately I will be modeling what I expect of my child.

Therefore all parents/guardians, participants, and Farmington Rockets organization members will abide by the Code of Conduct and Rules stated. If any rules or Codes of Conduct should be broken, the Farmington Rockets' Board of Directors shall have the authority to impose a penalty. The Board of Directors depending on the violation and the severity of its impact shall determine this penalty, which may result in suspension or expulsion from the Farmington Rockets organization.

## ***Farmington Rockets Parent's Code of Conduct*** (continued)

These categories are generally descriptive of the most obvious types of misconduct and are not to be construed as an exclusive list or as a limitation upon the authority of the Farmington Rockets' Board of Directors to deal appropriately with any other types of conduct which interfere with the good order of the organization.

The following are considered violations of the Code of Conduct and shall apply to any Farmington Rockets' Youth Football and Cheerleading Board member, coach, director, football player, cheerleader, parent/guardian, or fan. The violation of any Rules or Code of Conduct shall result in disciplinary action by the Farmington Rockets' Board of Directors.

1. Insubordinations, disrespect, or disregard of verbal instruction or direction of the coaches.
2. Open persistent defiance of the authority of a staff member.
3. Taunting players, coaches, officials, Board members, or other parents/spectators by means of baiting, ridiculing, bullying, harassment, stalking, verbal and/or non-verbal threats of physical violence, or displaying physical violence. *Law enforcement authorities may be notified in cases of this misconduct.*
4. Larceny/petty theft/vandalism  
Any theft or vandalism of money, personal or public property of \$5 or more value; and/or theft involving unlawful entry. *Law enforcement authorities may be notified in cases of this misconduct.*
5. Offensive speech/displays  
Speech, communication, or displays which tend to disrupt the orderly conduct of practices or games, including:
  - a. The use of vulgar acts, obscenities, or gestures.
  - b. Racial or ethnic slurs and/or intimidation.
6. Fighting
  - a. The act of physical bullying or quarreling, including bodily contact.
  - b. Incitement – the act of inciting or prompting others to action.
7. Possession, consumption or under the influence of alcoholic beverages, alleged drugs, or performance enhancing drugs are prohibited at all times. *Law enforcement authorities may be notified in cases of this misconduct.*
8. The use of smoking materials or substances (cigarettes, cigars, etc) on school grounds is strictly prohibited. *Law enforcement authorities may be notified in cases of this misconduct.*
9. Possession or use of weapons  
The term weapons shall mean any object or instrument of which the principal use is to inflict injury or physical harm upon the person of another, or the use of which may result in pain or suffering. *Law enforcement authorities may be notified in cases of this misconduct.*
10. Failure to accept decisions of the game officials on the field as being fair and called to the best ability of said officials.
11. Criticism of an opposing team, players, coaches or fans by word of mouth or gesture.
12. Failure to insure all equipment be cared for properly and is not allowed to be used in an abusive or destructive manner.
13. Deliberately inciting unsportsmanlike conduct.
14. Any fan, parent, player, or cheerleader that becomes a nuisance and out of control will be asked to leave.

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Attached is the Code of Conduct document, after reading the document, please sign and return this form to acknowledge that you have read and understand the policy. The Code of Conduct policy applies to any Farmington Rockets' Board member, Coach, Director, Football Player, Cheerleader and Parent/Guardian. Turn in all documents to the Farmington Rockets Registrar or mail to: Farmington Rockets, P. O. Box 314, Farmington, MI 48332

I/we, \_\_\_\_\_, the parent(s)/legal guardian(s) of

\_\_\_\_\_ acknowledge that I/we have read the Farmington Rockets Parent's Code of Conduct Contract and will adhere to it. I understand that violating the Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action by the Farmington Rockets Board of Directors. This may included but is not limited to restrictions placed on my access to the practice field, expulsion from games, and suspension or termination of my child's participation in the Farmington Rockets Youth Football and Cheerleading Programs without the refund of any fees.

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Printed Parent/Guardian Name

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Printed Participant's Name

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Signature

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