

BOWMANVILLE FIGURE SKATING CLUB PARENTS OR GUARDIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

Herewith is the Parents Code of Conduct for all parents with skaters registered within the BOWMANVILLE Skating Club Programs. The following is a Code of Conduct for parents to abide by at all training sessions, competitions and club organized events. Parents who follow this simple code can help reinforce what sports are all about.....BEING FUN FOR EVERYONE.

As a parent or guardian of a skater who has taken a membership or registration with the Bowmanville Figure Skating Club, I THEREFORE AGREE:

1. I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all skaters, coaches, executive members and officials at every practice session, competition and test session.
2. I will place the emotional and physical well being of my child ahead of my personal desire to win.
3. I will encourage my child to skate in a safe and healthy environment.
4. I will inform my child's coach of any physical/psychological challenge or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
5. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the results of a competitive event.
6. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participant for making a mistake or blame my child's team mates for placement in a competition.
7. I will do my best to make skating fun and will remember that my child participates in sport for his/her own enjoyment and satisfaction and not mine.
8. I will ask my child to treat other skaters, coaches, fans and officials with respect, regardless of race, creed, colour, sexual orientation or ability.
9. I will applaud a good effort in both victory and defeat emphasizing the positive accomplishments and learning from the mistakes.
10. I will teach my child to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
11. I will be a positive role model for my child and other skaters.
12. I will demand a figure skating environment for my child that is free of drug or alcohol abuse and agree that I will not provide to a third party any drug prescribed by applicable federal, provincial or municipal law.
13. I will respect my child's coach and refrain from coaching my child or other skaters during competitions and practices because it may conflict with the coaches' plan or strategies.
14. I will respect the decisions of officials and their authority during competitions and test sessions and teach my child to do likewise.
15. I will show appreciation and respect towards volunteers and Club Officials, and will not participate in any behaviour which is deemed to undermine the Bowmanville Figure Skating Club or its executive members.
16. I will study the rules of the Bowmanville Figure Skating Club, Municipality of Clarington Arenas and Skate Canada and teach my child accordingly so that we have an understanding and appreciation of the rules of competition and membership.
17. I will support all the opponents in my child's competition and respect the rights of all skaters to participate.
18. I will endeavor to resolve any conflict(s) I may have with any other club member(s) in a dignified and respectful manner, never resorting to hostile behavior or violence.