



**URPA**

## **Sportsmanship Initiative Good Sports Utah**

***FOCUSING ON:***

**RESPECT**  **KINDNESS**  **LEADERSHIP**  **POSITIVITY**  **SPORTSMANSHIP**

***TO ELEVATE THE YOUTH SPORTS EXPERIENCE***



## **POSITIVE PARENT PLEDGE**

Children participate in sports for a variety of reasons; physical fitness, friendship and fun typically top the list. The goal of youth sports should center around the participants building skills, competing and having fun! Adults can support that effort by cheering and encouraging all players, coaches and officials along the way.

Do not mistake winning as the most important factor. If children are doing their best and enjoying the game they have already won.

Players, coaches and officials are human and make mistakes; pointing out those mistakes creates a negative environment for everyone.

Please support your player as a positive sport parent by pledging-

- I will exemplify good sportsmanship towards everyone including players, coaches, officials and spectators.
- I will remember that children will follow my example - good or bad.
- I will applaud good performances by my child's team and opponents.
- I will speak positively towards officials and coaches.
- I will show respect to and express appreciation for the officials, coaches, coordinators and facilities.
- I acknowledge that mistakes and losing are part of life.
- I pledge to be tolerant of the mistakes made by players, coaches, officials and others.
- I will voice my concerns by providing constructive feedback through the appropriate channels of the league at the appropriate time.
- I will choose to be positive and kind so game days are fun!

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_