

GRANDE PRAIRIE SKATING CLUB PARENTS' CODE OF ETHICS

You are the most influential people in your child's life. Your job is not only to teach them to win or lose, but to do both graciously. You must also remind them that skating is meant to be FUN. The athletic skills these young people learn may only be used for a few years. The attitudes they develop towards themselves and others will last a lifetime.

- ✓ Promote integrity, fairness and respect.
- ✓ Help your child develop a positive self-image. Encourage your child's participation by promoting good sportsmanship and providing constant positive reinforcement.
- ✓ Children learn by example. Promote respect for rules, coaches, judges and evaluators, other parents and skaters.
- ✓ Children look at parents as mentors, therefore, led by example to create a motivating and rewarding environment built on trust and mutual respect between parents, coaches and the Board. Children are a product of their environment.
- ✓ Recognize the value and importance of the volunteer. They give their time and resources to provide a Club for your child.
- ✓ Be proactive and informed. Take the initiative to contact the office, coaches or the Board to obtain information pertaining to your skater or the Club. Please don't wait for other to inform you.
- ✓ If you have questions, concerns, and/or suggestions we encourage you to approach the appropriate Board Member or submit them in writing to the appropriate Board Member.
- ✓ When an issue of concern should arise encourage an open and respectful verbal dialogue with members and/or coaches to promote a healthy resolve.
- ✓ Show respect, appreciation and be supportive.
- ✓ Show respect for officials, coaches' and Club Members by not publically questioning their judgment, integrity and honesty.
- ✓ Encourage your child to approach their coach with any comments or questions regarding their performance after test days or competitions.
- ✓ Parent(s) are responsible for ensuring the safety of the skater when off -ice. Please ensure that if you are not at the arena, arrangements are made to meet your child for drop off and pick up in a safe area.
- ✓ Any person who deliberately deviates from the Code of Conduct by demonstrating poor behavior or disrespect to any of the Coaches, Board Members, Club Members or skaters may have their club membership revoked.

I, the undersigned, am aware of the contents of this document and agree to uphold them.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

****Parents' Code of Ethics must be signed and handed in with Registration Form.**