

Southern Valley Figure Skating Club

Parent Code of Conduct

The purpose of this code is to provide assurance that SVFSC skaters and their parents/guardians are informed of the standards of behavior, conduct and appearance expected and appropriate for members representing the club throughout the home community or the club, surrounding areas and all events skaters participate in including competitions, testing sessions and community events.

Southern Valley Figure Skating club skaters are expected to be respectful to all club members including coaches, parents, board members, and any other position within the club. Expectations of behavior include activities both on and off the ice and in all areas of the arena. Anytime a club member wears apparel which identifies them as a member of SVFSC, their actions and behavior reflect the club.

All skaters and parents/guardians are expected to abide by policies and procedures formed by the SVFSC Board and its committees. Policies are reviewed and agreed upon by the board with the best interest of the club prior to being presented to club members. If a conflict, complaint, or incident arises parents/guardians will complete the reporting form which is provided on the club website or contact the board president with questions or concerns.

By signing below, I hereby agree that:

1. I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all skaters, coaches and officials at every practice, competition, and test session.
2. I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my child and others ahead of my desire to win.
3. I will encourage my child to skate in a safe and healthy environment by maintaining a respectful and courteous attitude to others.
4. I will promptly inform my child's coach of any physical/mental disability or challenge affecting my child that may affect the safety of my child or others.
5. I will teach my child that doing his/her best is more important than winning.
6. I will do my best not to ridicule, bully, blame or yell at my child or other skaters, coaches, officials, or volunteers in response to a poor performance or for any other reason.

7. I will do my best to always make skating fun and will remember that my child participates in sports for his/her own enjoyment and satisfaction.
8. I will teach my child to treat other skaters, coaches, fans, volunteers, officials, and rink staff with respect, regardless of race, creed, color, sexual orientation, or ability. I will also take action and report any acts of bullying, harassment, or abuse to the appropriate authorities.
9. I will applaud any effort in both victory and defeat emphasizing positive accomplishments and learning from mistakes.
10. I will teach my child to resolve conflicts calmly and peacefully without resorting to hostility or violence.
11. I will be a positive role model for my child and others.
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 use or provide to a third-party any illegal drug prohibited by applicable federal, state, or municipal law.
13. I will not assist or condone any athlete's use of a banned substance as described by the International Olympic Committee, International Skating Union, United States Olympic Committee or U.S. Figure Skating, or, in case of athletes, to use such drugs or refuse to submit to properly conducted drug tests administered by one of these organizations.
14. I will expect my child's coach to be compliant with all requirements of U.S. Figure Skating and the Professional Skaters Association, to continue their education and training through programs offered by U.S. Figure Skating, the Professional Skaters Association, and other accredited organizations.
15. I will respect my child's coach and refrain from "sideline" coaching my child or other skaters.
16. I agree to educate myself regarding the proper procedures to follow when establishing or terminating a coaching relationship.
17. I will respect the decisions of officials, their authority and decisions during competitions and test sessions and teach my child to do the same.
18. I will show appreciation and recognize the importance of volunteers and club officials. I will fulfill my responsibility to help my club with membership, special projects, competitions, and test sessions.
19. I will become familiar with the rules of the U.S. Figure Skating and teach my child accordingly.

20. I will support and respect all skaters and their right to participate.

In the event of any action which violates the SVFSC Code of Conduct by a skater and/or parent/guardian the following procedure will be followed:

Written notice stating the violation to be discussed which will include the date and time of a scheduled meeting with the Executive Board. Failure to respond or attend may be considered an admission of the allegations. After all information is gathered a recommendation on the status of club membership will be forwarded to the full SVFSC Board for action and the party in question will be notified, in writing, within 10 days of the board decision.

If after the above process is completed, allegations or problems continue to occur, membership in SVFSC will be revoked without refund of any fees.

SOUTHERN VALLEY FIGURE SKATING CLUB CODE OF CONDUCT ACCEPTANCE

I have closely read the Code of Conduct of the Southern Valley Figure Skating Club and hereby acknowledge my willingness to observe it. I realize that the Code of Conduct will be in effect throughout my career as a figure skater.

Participant's signature:

I have read the Code of Conduct of the Southern Valley Figure Skating Club and consent to have my son/daughter participate in SVFSC under these rules and regulations.

Parent or Guardian's signature: _