

## JTYS Rules of Etiquette

### **Lifetime Etiquette form for the entirety of your time at JTYS**

Below are rules that must be observed.

1. We have a strict no-touch policy. Physical aggression is grounds for immediate dismissal from the club for the remainder of the season.
2. Be a knowledgeable participant. Refer to Jim Thorpe Youth Soccer website for Rules and Regulations.
3. Be on time. Be at the field at the coach's requested time.
4. Players are responsible for having all appropriate equipment including appropriate gear for any weather.
5. Full uniforms and shin guards are required. Players must wear club-issued uniforms without altering the uniforms. They may wear sweatshirts and pants under their uniforms. They may also wear stocking caps and gloves. Only soccer spikes are permitted. Soccer Socks must be overtop of shin guards. No "Hoods" are permitted. No jewelry of any kind.
6. Parents and players are to stay on opposite sides of the field. Both parents and players are to keep their distance from the sideline.
7. Save all snacks for after the game. Players are to drink water or sports drinks. **NO PLAYER-PARENT CONTACT AT HALFTIME.**
8. Do not shout instructions to your child. Parents may NOT coach from the sidelines.
9. Do not run up and down the sidelines. Find a comfortable place to sit down or stand and enjoy the match.
- 10 Show respect and do not shout insults at the referees. Create a nurturing environment in which our referees can develop. The referee has the right to have any individual removed from the field and surrounding area due to unsportsmanlike conduct.
11. Show respect toward all coaches. If you don't approve of certain coaching decisions, discuss it with the JTYS Board. The coach has the right to have any individual removed from the field and surrounding area due to unsportsmanlike conduct.
12. Please speak to the JTYS Board in regards to any coaching issues, refereeing issues and/or player issues.

### **Zero Tolerance**

The club has adopted a "Zero Tolerance Policy" in conjunction with our JTYS Coaching Requirements, Responsibilities and Etiquette, and JTYS Rules of Etiquette that prohibits verbal or physical abuse, harassment, or threatening behavior by anyone involved in the club in any capacity. Any participant including, but not limited to, parents, children, coaches, board

members, volunteers, and fans who are abusive (verbally or physically) toward any person including, but not limited to, opposing teams, parents, coaches, referees, players, and spectators will be subjected to these consequences:

**First Offense-** A written warning to parents of player(s) in the club.

**Second Offense-** Written notice of no participation for 1 week for player(s) in the club, this may carry into the next season.

**Third Offense-** Written notice of no participation for 3 weeks for player(s) in the club, this may carry into next season.

\*Continued abuse of any JTYS policy after 3rd offense will call for a JTYS Board decision of your player(s) to not be granted registration or continued participation with Jim Thorpe Youth Soccer Club.

\*Based on the severity of the offense, the JTYS board has the right to make final decisions on consequences.

\*Offense will carry over the duration of the offender's relationship with JTYS.

**I hereby acknowledge that I read and understand the JTYS Rules of Etiquette and the Zero tolerance policy.**

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_

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