Mitchell Figure Skating Club (MFSC)

Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct

Mitchell Figure Skating Club (MFSC) is committed to creating a safe and positive environment for members’ physical, emotional and social development and ensuring that it promotes an environment free of misconduct.

By signing below, I hereby agree that:

1. I will encourage good sportsmanship by my actions, 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 not 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 make skating fun at all times 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 respect my child’s coach and refrain from “side line” coaching my child or other skaters.
15. I agree to educate myself regarding the proper procedures to follow when establishing or terminating a coaching relationship.
16. I will respect the decisions of officials, their authority and decisions during competitions and test sessions and teach my child to do the same.
17. I will show appreciation and recognize the importance of volunteers and club officials. I will fulfill my responsibility to help my club with practice ice, lessons, special projects, shows, competitions and test sessions.
18. I agree to report to the appropriate entity/party any SafeSport or Code of Conduct violations that I observe.
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.
21. I understand that MFSC will do its best to provide lessons at the normally scheduled time. However, I understand and accept that circumstances may arise (such as, but not limited to, illness, inclement weather, competitions or hockey tournaments) that may alter the schedule or even cancel skating lessons.
22. I understand that I am not guaranteed a certain coach for the class my child is signed up for and agree to be respectful and courteous to all coaches at the rink.
23. I understand that it is not proper skating etiquette and not allowed at MFSC for parents to stand behind the boards or interrupt a lesson unless there is an emergency that impacts the safety of the skater(s).
24. I understand that videotaping any MFSC skater, other than my own child, at either the MFSC home rink or away is prohibited unless I have received permission from the child’s parent or guardian.
25. I will treat all members of MFSC and their families with respect.

I recognize that my and my child’s participation in all the activities associated with U.S. Figure Skating and MFSC is a privilege that carries responsibilities. I agree to fully abide by the rules and guidelines set forth by U.S. Figure Skating and its properly designated agents. I acknowledge that if I violate the terms of this code that I may be subject to disciplinary action at the discretion of MFSC Board of Directors ranging from a verbal warning to full suspension from all MFSC activities.

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Signature Printed name Date

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\s\ Brian Bultje\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Secretary

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