



SEMINOLE COUNTY PROGRAM AND LEAGUE BEHAVIOR CODE OF CONDUCT

Youth Program Behavior Code of Conduct

All youth participants and parents are expected to exhibit appropriate behavior at all times while participating in a Seminole County Leisure Services program. Parents please discuss with your children that our activities are planned for groups. While your child may not wish to participate in a specific activity, he/she is still expected to make an effort to be a part of the program.

Children or parents who are a danger to themselves or others, use inappropriate language or actions, or who are physically aggressive or threatening may be dismissed from the program. Seminole County Leisure Services reserves the right to dismiss a participant whose behavior, or that of his/her parent, is inappropriate or endangers the safety of himself/herself or others. The following guidelines are designed to provide safe and enjoyable activities for all.

Children and parents shall:

- Show respect to all other children, instructors, staff and property
- Take direction from instructors and staff
- Refrain from using abusive or foul language
- Refrain from causing bodily harm to self, other children, instructors or staff
- Show respect for equipment, supplies and facilities
- Bullying is not permitted or tolerated. Bullying is defined as repetitive and/or habitual behavior used to tease, threat, abuse, intimidate or aggressively dominate others.

A positive approach will be used regarding discipline. Seminole County Leisure Services reserves the right to dismiss a participant whose behavior endangers the safety of themselves or others and/or if inappropriate behavior does not stop, and/or if the behavior negatively affects the experience of other participants.

Any participant breaking the code of conduct will:

1. Be given a verbal warning by the staff accompanied by a discussion about why their behavior is not appropriate
2. Be given a time out by the staff that is equal to the child's age after the unacceptable behavior has been discussed with the child
3. Loss of Privilege: The staff/instructor will remove the child from an activity of the instructor's choice (for one day) after the unacceptable behavior has been discussed
4. Seminole County Leisure Services reserves the right to call parents for immediate pick up if the child is harming themselves or others or if unacceptable behavior continues.

Bullying and any violent, physical or threatening actions will receive an immediate incident report and may result in a suspension or removal from the program.

Seminole County Leisure Services reserves the right to immediately dismiss a participant whose behavior endangers the safety of themselves or others, or if the behavior negatively affects the experience of other participants. No refunds will be issued for dismissed participants.

General Adult Programs/League Behavior Code of Conduct

All participants are expected to exhibit appropriate behavior at all times while participating in a Seminole County Leisure Services program or league. Seminole County Leisure Services reserves the right to immediately dismiss a participant whose behavior endangers the safety of themselves or others, or if the behavior negatively affects the experience of other participants. No refunds will be issued for dismissed participants.

Sportsmanship

The Seminole County Parks & Recreation league and programs are recreation in nature and designed to be fun, inclusive, and welcoming for all participants. Any individual who displays behavior or language that does not represent good sportsmanship or at any time onsite may be asked to leave and may face further suspension from future programs or leagues.

Behavior

1. All participants, coaches, players, and spectators are required to follow all Park rules and regulations
2. Obscene language will not be tolerated and individuals who use obscene language may be ejected from a game or class without warning from the umpire/instructor/staff
3. Unsportsmanlike conduct or rule violation may result in a player being ejected from a game without any warning from the umpire.
4. All participants are expected to know all rules and policies prior to participation
5. Alcohol is **NOT** permitted at Seminole County Leisure Services Park site

Softball League Specifics

Profanity: If in the judgment of the umpire, Recreation Specialist or Program Manager, any player, team manager/coach or spectator is using excessively inappropriate language, they will be ejected from the game and/or facility. The offending player must leave the facility within ten minutes or the team may be subject to forfeiture.

Ejections: Any player ejected or disqualified from a game cannot participate in the remainder of that game and are subject to further disciplinary action. Additional game suspensions or other penalties may be issued at the discretion of the Program Supervisor (*rainout or postponed games do not count towards game suspensions*). Ejected players must leave the park immediately following their ejection. Failure to do so will result in the team's forfeiture.