



CODE OF CONDUCT & ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY

Due to the growing number of severe incidents of parental violence and misbehavior in youth sports, Oakdale Stampede Youth Football and Cheer Program has instituted a Code of Conduct and Zero Tolerance Policy to help coaches, players, parents and spectators know what is expected of them at all Oakdale Stampede practices and events. The following rules and regulations have been adopted.

- Good sportsmanship will be demonstrated at all times. Positive support is expected for and from all players, cheerleaders, coaches, parents and spectators at every game, practice or league event. Negative public comments (example: social media) regarding any coaches/players in the Oakdale Stampede Organization will not be tolerated.
- There will be no showing or displaying gang colors/numbers at any Oakdale Stampede events, including but not limited to practice and games.
- Possession/consumption of alcoholic beverages, possession/use of illegal substances on the premises of any Oakdale Stampede practices, games, events – home or away is prohibited.
- Protesting a coaches or game official decisions in an aggressive or demonstrative manner or any behavior which might incite negative, violent or aggressive fan involvement is prohibited, and may lead to being removed from the field or event.
- All practices, games and events (such as, but not limited to Round Robin, Playoffs, Super Bowl, etc.) are mandatory. As members of the team, all players and cheerleaders must be available to attend and arrive on time. It is the responsibility of the parent to provide or arrange for transportation to and from all practices - games are mandatory Oakdale Stampede events.
- Access to the practice field, sidelines, or any designated areas is prohibited, except for those with badges for access. Parents and spectators will respect that only authorized personnel with badges, as well as the chain crew, will be allowed within the off-limit areas of the field. Any violation of this can and will be grounds for immediate dismissal of the parent or spectator, and possibly their player/cheerleader, from the field.
- At any Oakdale Stampede game, practice, team event, league event, or competition (home or away), anyone (adult or child) who: 1. Verbally abuses; 2. Attempts to intimidate; 3. Is flagrantly or rude; 4. Makes racist remarks, encourages or invokes racism; 5. Cannot control their language or action with an official, coach, or Oakdale Stampede volunteer will be asked to leave the event.
- Any adult or player/cheerleader who physically assaults an official, coach or Oakdale Stampede participant will immediately be banned from the practice/game/event. The term physical assault includes but is not limited to: hitting, slapping, pushing, spitting, kicking, or striking in any way with any part of the body or any physical implement.
- All players will be held accountable for anything they post on social media outlets. All code of conduct policies are considered for anything posted to a social media outlet by a parent or child.

- All parents, players and cheerleaders agree to abide by and respect the Code of Conduct, set by the league, at all times.
- **Cooling Off Period:** We ask that any coaching issues or playing time concerns are handled 24 hours after a game or practice. This gives everyone time to gather their thoughts and have productive conversations. Please address your head coach first and then go to the VP of Football or Cheer if there is not a solution.

Anytime you are in your Stampede gear, remember you are representing the Oakdale Stampede organization. Please do this with dignity, honor, and pride during all practices, games (home or away), events and when in our community.

I have read, understand, and agree to this policy. I also understand and agree that a violation of any of it can result in removal of any coach, parent, player, cheerleader, or spectator from any practice, game, event, or even the removal of a family from the organization.

Parent Name: _____ Parent Signature: _____

Player Name: _____ Player Signature: _____

Date: _____