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## GENERAL PRINCIPALS FOR PARENTS AND PLAYERS

**Welcome, Queens Falcons Players And Parents 2007.**

**Athletes and coaches will not be able to perform at their best if parents do not have a clear understanding of the youth football program. The following are guidelines for parents and players that must be followed:**

- 1.** Parents should not interfere during practice or at game time. If there are any questions or concerns they will be handled after practice or a game. You should speak to your parent captain and then your coach if you have any concerns pertaining to your child or the team itself.
- 2.** We will not tolerate any "trash talking" of any coach or parent. The Queens Falcons pride itself on being a family program with this in mind we are instituting a 3 strike rule. If anyone is found to be using derogatory comments against any coach, parent or player they will get two warnings and on the third infraction they will be asked to leave the program.
- 3.** All players should be prepared for every practice and game. During practice and game time players should be wearing there assigned equipment, uniforms, cleats and mouthpiece. Any player that is not prepared will not play. Being prepared is necessary for the team to run smoothly.
- 4.** Parents should support the coach as long as the coach follows proper coaching guidelines. It is inappropriate for a parent to coach a player who is on the field. It not only devalues the coach, it also confuses the player.
- 5.** Be a parent and not a coach to your children. Offer encouragement and positive reinforcement.
- 6.** Parents should encourage discipline by having their children arrive on time for practice and games. When a player is late or absent it affects the whole team. Parents must also be on time when picking up their child.

**7.** Parents should help their children realize that belonging to a team requires commitment. Regular attendance affects the team as a whole. The number of practices players attend will affect the amount of playing time the player receives. The more a player practices the better prepared he will be come game time.

**8.** Each player will be expected to treat his fellow teammates with the utmost respect. Any player who disrespects their teammate will be suspended from playing until further notice.

**9.** Parents should volunteer their services whenever possible this shows the participants the value of being a team player. With this in mind please join in our parents club. Each family will be asked to donate supplies for our games.

**10.** Parents should respect the officials and their calls. It is okay to disagree but inappropriate to disparage.

**11.** Parents should not embarrass their child by calling attention to them through loud and rude behavior. Remember that your child learns more from your actions than your words. Practice good sportsmanship by being respectful to players, parents and coaches on both teams.

Player's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Player's signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parents Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_