

## SPECTATORS AND PARENTS / CARERS CODE OF CONDUCT

## SGS COLLEGE TABLE TENNIS CLUB

In order to gain the best experience from involvement in sport young people generally rely on their parents/carers for both emotional and financial support. This influence can be critical as they become involved in training squads and competitive play. We all have a responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour in the game. The SGS College Table Tennis Club therefore expects everyone involved with table tennis and the academy will respect the rights, dignity and worth of everyone we meet in sport; treat everyone equally regardless of age, ability, gender, race, religion, ethnic origin, social status or sexual orientation; accept that everyone has the right to be protected from abuse. It is hoped that the following will prove useful to parents/carers to play a positive part in their child's career in table tennis.

Remember that Children play for FUN

Support your child's involvement and help them enjoy all that table tennis has to offer.

Applaud effort and good play as well as success

Uphold high standards of behaviour, appearance, punctuality and importance of being a team member.

Always use appropriate language and ensure your child does the same.

Always use social media in a positive light or not at all.

Never exert undue pressure on your child to compete or get results, be realistic about your child's ability.

Let the coach do their job and do not confuse the players by telling them what to do.

Show respect and trust the coach working with your child. If you do have questions or queries directly speak to the coach do not compromise the relationship between the coach and player.

Establish a positive partnership with the coach and help provide the best possible balance between the demands of table tennis, education and home life.

Remain within the designated spectator's area

Avoid criticising a player for making a mistake – mistakes are part of learning.

I understand that if I do not follow the code of conduct any/all of the following actions will be taken by the Bristol Academy Table Tennis Club

I may be:

Asked to leave the training session whilst your child trains.

Issued with a verbal warning from a club official regarding behaviour

Required to meet with the club welfare officer and discuss the behaviour.

Requested by the club not to attend future training or matches.

Requested to leave the club along with any dependents.