

Big Lake Swarm Wrestling CODE OF ETHICS



Participation in the Swarm Wrestling program is intended to be an **educational experience** for kids. Goals include: learning about the sport, improving one's wrestling skills and **having fun doing it**. Unfortunately there are those who create a stressful environment by putting too much emphasis on winning.

The Swarm Board of Directors is committed to providing a program this is in the best interest of the kids playing the sport. To reach this goal, all participants - players, parents & coaches - **will be held accountable** for knowing and adhering to the following Code of Ethics.

- Place the well being of all wrestlers ahead of any personal desire to win.
- Encourage good sportsmanship by showing respect for all wrestlers, coaches, fans and officials at every wrestling practice and match.
- Demand a drug-free, alcohol-free & tobacco free sports environment for wrestlers. Agree to refrain from their use at all wrestling events.
- Do your best to become knowledgeable on the rules of wrestling.
- Promise to help all kids enjoy the youth wrestling experience by assisting with coaching & officiating, being a respectful fan, providing transportation or doing whatever is possible.
- Do your best to make your wrestling **FUN!**
- Remember - **THE SPORT IS FOR KIDS**, not adults.

The Code of Ethics will be posted outside of the wrestling practice room as a reminder of the importance of this creed.

Make sure to read this to your child & discuss as a family the importance of these words.

Coaches should make this a part of every practice and every match.