

Matawan-Aberdeen Recreation Volleyball League Code of Conduct

The purpose of this Code of Conduct is to ensure a safe and positive environment within the Matawan-Aberdeen Recreation Volleyball League (MARVL) programs, activities and events.

We are a community organization formed to play competitive Volleyball, to improve our volleyball skills, to have fun as a group, and to feel good about our play. MARVL prohibits discriminatory practices.

We expect MARVL participants to represent and preserve the club's positive public image, to know the rules of the game; to conduct themselves in the spirit of good sportsmanship; to lead by example - by actively demonstrating fairness and integrity during events, by actively demonstrating mutual respect to other participants, captains, volunteers, spectators, school employees or representatives, and school students; and by actively demonstrating self control and good behavior at all times.

MARVL participants who do not conform to this code may be subject to consequences for their actions that may include but are not limited to: a warning, temporary, long term, or even permanent suspension from participating in MARVL events. In addition, participants who violate Federal, State, or Local law may be subject to prosecution by one or more of the aforementioned authorities.

I am forewarned that the Matawan-Aberdeen School District facilities and parking lots are monitored by school district cameras.

I pledge to be responsible for my words and actions while attending, coaching, officiating or participating in a MARVL event. I acknowledge that my failure to act responsibly may have negative consequences not only for myself but also for the rest of the club members and for the club's public image. I acknowledge that if I fail to act responsibly, I could jeopardize the club's facility privileges. I shall abide by the following:

- I will not violate Federal, State, or Local Laws.
- I will bring conflicts and issues to the attention of MARVL volunteers as soon as possible and I will intercede as a peace maker to calm tension if a conflict or issue arises between individuals until such time a MARVL volunteer can take lead.
- I will not engage in unsportsmanlike conduct with any captain, player, participant, official, volunteer, or any other person(s) present nor will I encourage any other person to do so.
- I will not engage in any behavior which would endanger the health, safety or well being of any captain, player, participant, official, volunteer, or any other person(s) present nor will I encourage any other person to do so.
- I will not attend, captain, officiate or participate in a MARVL event while impaired by alcohol or drugs since doing so presents a risk of injury to me and/or other persons and because alcohol or drug use could impair my judgment and behavior. Use of alcohol or drugs is not permitted on school premises. Inappropriate behavior at MARVL events caused by alcohol or drug use is unacceptable.
- I will not engage in the use of profanity.
- I will treat all captains, players, participants, officials, volunteers or any other persons present with respect - regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, or ability.

- I will not engage in verbal or physical threats or abuse aimed at any captain, player, participant, official, volunteer, or any other persons present nor encourage any other person to do so.
- I will not initiate a fight or scuffle with any captain, player, participant, official, volunteer or any other persons present nor encourage any other person to do so. Violence of any kind will not be tolerated!
- I will not initiate or engage in non-consensual sexual contact or sexual harassment, and I acknowledge that all forms of harassment and non-consensual sexual contact are prohibited both by MARVL and by Federal, State, and Local law.
- I will not maliciously or intentionally cause physical damage to the school facility or grounds we play within, to MARVL property, or to the property of participants and spectators.
- I will not take part in any activity that results in theft of items from the school facility, MARVL, or other persons.

I have read and understand the MARVL Code of Conduct. I hereby agree that if I fail to conform my conduct to the Code of Conduct while attending, coaching, officiating or participating in a MARVL event I will be subject to disciplinary action, including but not limited to the following in any order or combination: Verbal or written warning issued by MARVL volunteers; Suspension or immediate ejection from an event issued by the MARVL volunteers or by an authorized school official; Suspension from multiple events issued by the MARVL volunteers or by an authorized school official; Season suspension or multiple season suspension issued by the MARVL volunteers or by a school official; Monetary restitution; Prosecution from Federal, State, or Local authorities.

Name of Participant

Signature of Participant or Guardian

Date