

## **PSSA CODE of CONDUCT**

### PLAYER CODE:

"It isn't whether you win or lose, but how you play the game." (Grantland Rice)

#### As a student representing Panania PS I agree to:

- follow school rules during the week in order to represent my school on a Friday;
- play for the fun of it;
- compete by the rules and **always** abide by the referees'/umpires' or touch judges' decisions;
- control my temper and make no criticism, either by word or gesture;
- work equally hard for myself and the team- that way both my team and I will benefit;
- be willing to train and prepare for the game. I understand that preparation helps prevent injury and increases my level of enjoyment;
- play only when I am fully fit. I understand that to play with an injury will handicap my team and may expose me to the risk of serious, lifelong injury;
- be a good sport and encourage my fellow team members to also be good sports;
- co-operate with my coach, my team mates and my opponents at all times. I understand that without them there will not be a competition;
- be modest in success and generous in defeat; and
- remember that the goals of the game are to have fun and improve my skills.

If this code is not abided by and/or if I do not comply with school rules I could lose the privilege of representing my school for a period of time depending on the circumstances.

# **PARENT CODE:**

"If children participating in sport are to develop basic skills and experience the fun of playing, they require thoughtful and purposeful adult assistance."

(Hon. Baldock, MHA., Tasmania)

#### As a parent with a child representing Panania PS I agree to:

- acknowledge that playing for the school is a privilege requiring a consistent in-school standard of behaviour;
- not force an unwilling child to participate in a particular sport;
- remember that my child is involved in organised sport for their enjoyment and fulfilment, not mine:
- encourage my child to play by the rules at all times;
- teach my child that honest effort is as important as winning. The result of each game will then be accepted without undue disappointment;
- encourage my child to work towards skill improvement and good sportsmanship. I will not ridicule
  my child for making a mistake or losing a game/competition;
- remember that children learn by example. I will applaud good play by both my team and members of the opposing team;
- not publicly question the officials' judgement or honesty; and
- appreciate the commitment and contribution of teacher-coaches who give of their time and resources to provide sporting activities for my child; and have realistic expectations for my child and his/her team. I will not expect more than they can give.