

MYRA MISSION STATEMENT:

The MOVILLE YOUTH RECREATION ASSOCIATION (MYRA) is a non-profit organization created and designed to provide the children of the Moville area quality instructional athletic programs that promote teamwork, build self-esteem and respect for others, and increase skill knowledge. It is our mission to ensure that each child has a positive, rewarding experience while participating in the programs, and that each child will learn the importance of sportsmanship, honor, and integrity while sharing with their coaches and teammates the emotions of success and failure. MYRA is dedicated to the principle that the pursuit of excellence in athletics will help prepare our future leaders in all areas of life.

MYRA PHILOSOPHIES/RULES

1. MYRA is a non-profit organization run by non-paid volunteers

- a. The MYRA board consists of non-paid volunteers who will fill the following positions
 - i. President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and a Director for each sport that MYRA organizes.
- b. Each sports director can choose to be a voting member or not.
- c. Voting members will strive to attend at least 3/4 of the yearly board meetings.

2. MYRA will share information in a variety of ways for the public

Examples may include but are not limited to;

- a. Website: <https://www.myramoville.com>
- b. Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MYRAwildcats>
- c. School and/or community flyers
- d. Primary day-to-day communication with participating players and parents will be directed through texts, communication apps or emails from your coach

3. MYRA will organize teams and coaches for each sport

- a. Coaches:
 - i. We expect our coaches to:
 1. Hold practices weekly, at a minimum, and attend games (make arrangements for another volunteer to coach if unable to attend)
 2. Challenge the kids, but do not expect perfection.
 3. Expect the players to control what they can. (hustle, hard work, effort)
 4. Pick a player up when he/she is down.
 5. Discipline players within reason. (for example, running or sitting out for disrespect or lack of effort could be expected.)
 6. Respect players/parents/game officials.
 7. Understand that volunteering is a privilege. MYRA reserves the right to refuse or remove any volunteer at our discretion.
 - ii. We expect that our coaches are shown respect and appreciation
 1. They are doing their best
 2. They put a lot of time and effort into coaching
 3. They are greatly appreciated volunteers 😊
- b. Playing Time:
 - i. Non-competitive teams(do not keep score) will strive for nearly equal playtime per player.
 - ii. Competitive teams (do keep score) have more discretion to positions and playtime per player; however, every player should have an equitable play time in proportion to attendance, work ethic, attitude, and/or effort. Any player demonstrating the previous characteristics should play at least roughly half the game.

c. Teams:

- i. There are lots of teams in need of field/court time.
 1. Each sport has a different way of selecting practice time; practice time is chosen by the coach of each team
 2. Field/court time will be reserved/organized through the sports director for all sports.
 3. Non-competitive teams (games without scores) should have one practice weekly, and competitive teams (games that keep score) should have 1 or 2 practices weekly for the duration of the season.
 4. Games have priority over practices regarding scheduling field/court time.
- ii. Each team is their own team; each volunteer coach can run their team as they see fit as long as they follow the league/MYRA Code of Conduct
- iii. If there are enough players for multiple teams, teams will be selected during a coach's meeting and will be divided

4. Each player will be required to register for each sport

- a. Each sport will have a three-week registration window
 - i. All registrations past the closing date of the registration window are subject to the availability of space on a team and at the discretion of the sports director and coach.
- b. All fees are due at the time of registration.
- c. MYRA board members determine the cost for each sport based on expenses, equipment needs, facility improvements, etc.
- d. Refunds
 - i. If a player decides to not participate in a sport they registered for before teams are formed a refund will be issued.
 - ii. If a player decides to not participate in a sport they registered for after teams are formed, no refund will be issued.
 - iii. In the event of a season ending injury, serious illness or other life altering event, a pro-rated refund may be issued, determined by how much of the season is missed.
- e. MYRA Board will strive to keep costs as low as possible and look for sponsors, grants and other means of fundraising such as concessions stands.

5. Players/parents/coaches will abide by the Code of Conduct

- a. If Code of Conduct is not being followed a player/parent/coach, the matter will be addressed by the MYRA President or Vice President
- b. If a player/parent/coach is found to continue to not adhere to the Code of Conduct, the following steps will occur:
 - i. Players
 1. Player sits and loses playing time for rest of game / practice
 2. Player sits and loses playing time for the next game / practice
 3. Player sits and loses playing time for a week
 4. Player will no longer be with team
 - ii. Parents
 1. Parent will be asked to leave for rest of game / practice
 2. Parent will be asked to not come to the next game / practice
 3. Parent will be asked to not come for a week
 4. Parent, along with their player, will no longer be with team
 - iii. Coaches
 1. Coach will be asked to leave for rest of game / practice
 2. Coach will be asked to not come to next game / practice
 3. Coach will be asked to not come for a week
 4. Coach /player will no longer be with team

MYRA CODE OF CONDUCT

The player acknowledges and agrees to the following statements of conduct and rules and conditions for participation as a player with MYRA:

1. I will conduct myself in a manner that is respectful to me, my team, my coaches, my officials, and my parents.
2. I will not use foul, offensive, or abusive language.
3. I will accept and listen to what my coaches tell me.
4. I will support my teammates.
5. I will report any injuries or ailments to my coach immediately.
6. I will hustle, work hard, and give my best at all times.
7. I will accept my role on my team.
8. I will wear my uniform proudly and properly for every game.
9. I will pick up after myself in the dugout/bench and at the court/fields
10. I will not use drugs, alcohol, or tobacco products of any kind during my association with MYRA.
11. I will abide by all other rules and regulations set by MYRA organizers/coaches.

Parent acknowledges and agrees to the following statements of conduct, rules and conditions for participation with MYRA:

1. I will be a positive example of good sportsmanship during all practices and games and will show respect to my child, their teammates, opponents, coaches, and game officials.
2. I will encourage my player and his teammates from the stands.
3. If I am responsible for my son's transportation to games and practices, I will make sure to have him at all events on time. If he must be late or miss an activity, I/he will call his coach in advance.
4. While attending MYRA games or practices, I will not use foul, offensive, or abusive language directed towards any player, coach or officials
5. I will not coach from the stands.
6. I will not ridicule or yell at my child or any other child for making a physical mistake/error.
7. I will not approach my coach(s) within 24 hours of any incident to provide a cooling down period.
8. I will not smoke or use tobacco at the field/court. I will not drink alcohol at the field/court or prior to the game.

Coaches acknowledge and agree to the following statements of conduct, rules and conditions for participation with MYRA:

1. I will be a positive example of good sportsmanship during all practices and games and will show respect to players, opponents, parents, and game officials.
2. Be knowledgeable of league rules, and communicate them to my players and parents as needed.
3. I will not use foul, offensive, or abusive language directed towards any player, parent, or game officials.
4. I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my players ahead of a personal desire to win.
5. I will treat each player as an individual, taking into account the large range of emotional and physical development for youth age groups.
6. I will not expect my players to be perfect and make every play.
7. I do expect my players to hustle, work hard, and give their best.
8. I will use only coaching techniques appropriate for the skill level and level of league competitiveness.
9. I will always remember that I am a youth sports coach, and that the game is for children and not adults.
10. I will not smoke or use tobacco at the field/court. I will not drink alcohol at the field or prior to the game.

MYRA Board retains the sole and absolute discretion to refuse, suspend, or remove any volunteer at any time and for any reason it deems necessary to safeguard the integrity, safety, and mission of the organization and youth. Volunteers are required to conduct themselves in a manner that reflects the highest standards of professionalism and aligns with MYRA's values at all times.

I, _____ have read and understand the Code of Conduct for Menville Youth Recreation Association. I agree to follow these rules and understand that not doing so may result in being removed from activities.

Signature: _____

Date: _____