

# STOP

## RUINING THE GAME



## PLAYERS QUIT BECAUSE OF...

- Criticism and yelling from who is supposed to be their biggest fans... their loved ones
- Over emphasis on winning versus progress and holistic development
- Poor communication and support, especially in moments of failure
- Boredom and/or no longer learning

## **R**EFOCUS

PRIORITIZE SUCCESSFUL OUTCOMES BEYOND THE TROPHIES,  
AND PLACE EMPHASIS ON DEVELOPING STRONG, CONFIDENT  
AND WELL-ROUNDED ATHLETES AND ROLES MODELS.



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Living out dreams through your children and release them to the game  
Being overly involved beyond what your role really is  
Trying to do what you may not be properly trained and or equipped to do.  
Being so serious... it's a game

## ITS MY GAME NOT YOURS!

### Did you know...

- I am the first person to realize I made a mistake
- I have a much better chance of doing well, when I feel good about what I am doing
- I look to you for support in the toughest of times, and it is very stressful when you yell or give me the "look"
- I play this sport because I enjoy it, and all I want is for you have fun watching me having fun

OUR GREATEST GOAL IS WINNING THE RIGHT WAY FOR THE RIGHT REASONS.

At Elite we focus on players first that will bring together great teams in the future.  
Each player develops at different stages. We prioritize the holistic growth, even if it means taking 1 step backwards now, to take 2 steps forward later

The Elite coach cares and has adopted a very unique methodology that emphasizes technical proficiency through teaching, natural game intelligence through self discovery, and competitive maturity through accountability and support.

# ZERO TOLERANCE

Whether it be a coach, player or parent, upon enrollment we all made a pledge for the greater good of this sport and embrace the life lessons the game can teach us. As such, every member is expected to carry themselves with respect and dignity, with absolutely no room for poor sideline behavior.



## RESPECT FOR ALL!

Parents are not to approach nor show any level of dissent to a referee, regardless of their level of experience.

If you feel you can do better, get yourself a whistle and go out there!

Let the coaches do their job, that is why you hired us and enrolled your child in our programs. Sideline coaching is not just counter-productive to the flow of a game, but it is also embarrassing and disrespectful to the coaches.

Celebrate the game for what is intended to do... The beautiful game promotes the art of self expression with the ball. Create a positive environment for every child to feel free to create special moments we can all capture and celebrate.

Be a good sportsman... Although winning is important, success in youth derives from the positive actions on the field that clearly demonstrate ones growth and development.

# WHAT TO EXPECT

While many parents have their sights on living dreams through their kids to play professional and sacrifice the holistic development of a child, the focus at Elite is different...

We want the Elite Athletes to be a fact of youth soccer development, not a statistic of a youth dropping out of the game.

## WE EXPECT THE PARENT TO...

Learn, understand, endorse and support the ELTPD (Elite Long Term Player Development), as well as the academy's guidelines and policies

Respect and support the coaches in the development of the game that focuses on players, coaches and game officials

JUST BE A PARENT!

PASSION • DEDICATION • VISION • WISDOM • RESPECT • COMMUNITY

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## YOU SHOULD EXPECT ELITE COACHES TO...

- Be dedicated to provide its players an equal opportunity to develop and grow
- Provide a safe and healthy environment for every member to enjoy
- WE WANT TO BE THERE AS YOUR CHILD'S BIGGEST MENTOR

TRUST, LET GO AND ENJOY THE JOURNEY

IF THERE ARE  
NO PLAYERS | NO COACHES | NO REFEREES  
THERE ARE NO GAMES

**YOU DECIDE!**

