

Guidelines of a Sun Prairie Football Parent

1. Be positive with your son. Let him know he is accomplishing something by simply being a part of this team.
2. If your son is not a starter, assure him that his role is extremely important to this team.
3. Support your son's coaches. They represent the authority directing this team. When the parents support the coaches, the players will follow suit.
4. Encourage your son to follow team rules concerning drinking, curfews, discipline in the classroom, etc. We as coaches must expect more from our athletes than we do the average student in the halls. The more sacrifices one makes for the team, the more that team means to him.
5. Parents must be team players also. Be careful not to develop envy toward other players. Parent jealousy can and will devastate a team.
6. Please respect the profession of coaching. Your son's coaches are professionals and are with your son virtually 12 months a year. They know what your son is capable of achieving. You may want to question a coach's decision, but to publicly slander judgments made by the coaches is detrimental to the team.
7. Be an enthusiastic Cardinal fan. Always display our pride with class. We will win with class and if we lose, we will lose with class.
8. Expect your son to take responsibility for his and his teams' actions. Give him credit when things go well. But, hold him responsible when mistakes are made. We can learn from our mistakes only when we are held responsible.
9. Strive to understand the importance of the "team". You "the parent" are a vital part of this team. When the coaches, players and parents are all BELIEVING in each other and supporting each other, all things are possible.