**PWSC Parents Code of Conduct**

**Expected Behavior of PWSC Parents:**

* Set a good sportsmanship example for all parents, athletes, coaches and officials at all swim meets. Cheer for my swimmer and their teammates to encourage their success.
* Remember that all Meet Officials and Support Personnel are volunteers and should be treated with respect.
* Offer my services for volunteer work whenever possible to help conduct swim meets. If committed to a volunteer position and cannot make it due to unforeseen circumstances, notify the volunteer coordinator as soon as possible.
* Notify the coaches as soon as possible if your swimmer will have to be absent from a swim meet.
* Encourage my swimmer to strive to make every swimming and dry land activity a training ground for life and a basis for good mental and physical health.
* Pick my child up promptly from all practices and team activities. It is not safe to assume that someone else will take care of them.
* Bring problems to the attention of the coach IN PRIVATE. Request an after practice appointment with the coach to discuss the problems. A room is available for doing this at each of our practice venues.
* Report unacceptable behavior during swim activities to a PWSC Board Member and/or Coach for action. Take immediate action if the safety of a child is in question in your judgment.
* Uphold all rules and regulations, national and local, regarding USA, Virginia and Amberjax Swimming.

**Unacceptable Behavior of PWSC Parents:**

* Yelling at referees, timers, officials, coaches, other parents or swimmers during all swim activities. Criticizing an opposing team, its swimmers, coaches or fans by word of mouth or gestures.
* Using abusive or profane language directed towards anyone connected with a meet or team activity.
* Arguing with a coach in public.
* Sideline coaching of your child at practice or during swim meets.
* Using alcoholic beverages, tobacco products or illegal substances in the swimming venue.
* **Such behavior will be cause for my dismissal from the deck or the meet or the team as deemed necessary by the Meet Referee or the PWSC Board Of Directors.**

Please make sure you familiarize yourself with USA Swimming Code of Conduct which you can find our our website under the Safe Sport Tab