

PYAA Registration Waivers 2025 (1/28/2025 jse)

COMMUNICATION & SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

By checking the box, you acknowledge that you have read the social media policy below and that you agree to adhere to the policy and also agree to be responsible for the minor children and any legal wards also adhering to this policy. You acknowledge that failing to adhere to this policy will result in consequences that may include removal of any adult or child. This includes but is not limited to PYAA board members, PYAA coaches, PYAA parents/guardians, and PYAA participants from within the Pickerington Youth Athletic Association.

PYAA recognizes the role social media, group texting, group emails and public forums of any kind including zoom calls play in modern communication, and understand the rights someone has to express themselves in those forums. However, due to the increased number of public harassments and attacks towards the Pickerington Youth Athletic Association, PYAA directors, PYAA board members, PYAA coaches, PYAA participants or their parents/guardians in these kinds of public forums, we now have a ZERO TOLERANCE social media policy. Failure to adhere to the following rules will result in consequences which could include the immediate removal of both the adult or child from any and all PYAA events and activities, which would include sport participation. PYAA board members, coaches, and volunteers must also adhere to the following rules or they may be removed from their PYAA board positions or coaching assignments.

- Harassing, threatening, discriminating or disparaging ANY individuals through social media and public post or forums which would include but is not limited to group texting and group emails is not permitted and will not be tolerated.
- Making social media or public posts which would include group emails and group texting that are not factual, are disparaging or statements drawing critical attention to someone's actions or behavior that may cause them undue embarrassment about the Pickerington Youth Athletic Association, its board members, coaches, participants, parents, sponsors, or spectators is not permitted and will not be tolerated.
- Sharing any organization-privileged information, including copyrighted information or organization-issued documents, through social media and public forums which would include but is not limited to group texting and group emails is not permitted and will not be tolerated.
- The sharing of photographs and/or video of PYAA board members, coaches, participants or spectators without their permission through social media is not permitted and will not be tolerated.

- Emails and phone calls to any PYAA representative which includes but not limited to PYAA board members, PYAA Coaches, PYAA independent contractors (Referees/Umpires) in a manner that is deemed rude, aggressive, or threatening may result in a single or multi-game suspension, seasonal suspension, or permanent ban depending on the tone and severity of the communication.