



Statement of Commitment & Image Policy

Ravalli United is committed to developing the soccer skills of players to the highest possible level. As a club, we will provide that opportunity through quality coaching, well-organized practices, games, and a season-ending tournament. Participating at this level of competition requires substantial commitment on behalf of the players, their parents, and the coaches.

Players are expected to show respect for the coaches, other players, and the referees, to demonstrate good sportsmanship, to work hard in both games and practices, and to have a positive attitude. Players are expected to attend **ALL** practices and games and be willing to learn and give their best at all times. Players will be excused for prior commitments, illness, important family events, and school activities. The coach needs to be notified as soon as possible and prior to the absence when possible. **During the regular competitive season, players are expected to treat soccer as their primary sport.** This means the players are not to forego soccer games or practices to participate in other sports and activities. (The United board may grant exceptions to this rule if appropriate arrangements are made.)

Ravalli United coaches will conduct themselves in a professional manner at both practices and games. They will coach clean, skill-oriented, and sportsmanlike soccer while providing a safe and effective learning environment. Coaches will communicate to players and parents the rules and expectations for success as part of Ravalli United. **Coach's Discretion:** Each coach has broad discretion over the management of the team to develop competitive players and a competitive team within the guidelines of Ravalli United. Both players and parents need to understand that this is competitive soccer and the coach determines player positioning and playing time. **Playing time may be adjusted at the coach's discretion due to player attitude and effort during practice.** Parents and players are expected to accept the coach's decisions and to not be detrimental to a positive playing environment. The coach will determine the appropriate disciplinary action for infractions of this agreement. Serious infractions may result in suspension.

Parents will ensure that players come to all practices and games with the proper equipment necessary to participate and that those players arrive at and are picked up from practices and games on time. Parents will strive to conduct themselves as role models for players by communicating in a positive manner with coaches and by respecting referee decisions.

IMAGE POLICY

Ravalli United may use photos of United players on the website located at www.ravallisc.org. The sole purpose of these images is to promote youth soccer, player names will **NOT** be used.