## CAROLINA UNITED SOCCER ASSOCIATION, INC. ("CUSA")

## PARENT EXPECTATION AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT FORM

- 1. Make soccer participation for your child, coaches, and others a positive experience.
- 2. Be respectful to your child's coaches and to the officials. The coaches are volunteers and give personal time and money to provide recreational activity for your child, The coaches are contributing a valuable community service without reward other than their personal satisfaction.
- 3. Before, during, and after soccer matches, parent shall refrain from being argumentative, verbally abusive, or aggressive toward anyone.
- 4. Parents shall be cheerleaders and allow the coach to coach, the referee to officiate, and most of all, allow your child and teammates to play the game. Parents shall not coach from the sidelines during matches or practices.
- 5. Do not criticize your child's coaches, players or parents to your child, teammates, other parents, or the general public. If you are not happy with the coaches, you shall raise the issue with the coaches in a tactful and polite manner.
- 6. Parents must NEVER use or tolerate inappropriate language at matches or training. Violation of this rule shall be grounds for dismissal for a parent, athlete, or both from the club.
- 7. Encourage your child to speak with the coaches, if your child is having difficulty in training or games or cannot attend training, etc., encourage them to speak directly to the coaches. This "responsibility taking" is a big part of becoming a mature person. By handling off-the-field tasks your child is claiming ownership of all aspects of the sport.
- 8. Most youth soccer officials have had limited experience and formal training, but they try to do their best. DO NOT boo, yell, or openly question their judgment and their honesty. Any parent who has an issue with an official may bring it to the attention of the coaches who can discuss it with the official at an appropriate time.
- 9. Accept the result of each game and encourage your child to be gracious in victory and turn defeat into victory by working towards improvement. Good sportsmanship and positive comments are contagious and will lift the spirit of the entire team including the coaches.
- 10. Parents shall not criticize their child or other players on any part of the game since it may cause confusion and erode a player's confidence. Your coaches have the expertise to handle any aspect of the sport that needs to be addressed.
- 11. Group and/or individual communications regarding the team via email, texting, Facebook or other social or mass media related to the team shall be positive and constructive in the spirit of good sportsmanship. Any communication with the CUSA's Board shall be sent or discussed with the coaches or a person as designated by the coaches for review prior to sending to the club's board members and officers. Mean spirited communication by a coach, parent, player, or other club member will result in an immediate response from the Director of Coaching and possibly the Club's Disciplinary Officer.
- 12. CUSA will have the right to use, reference and display content (e.g., photography, video, film, oral and written evaluations, or feedback) and other identifying information contained within (e.g., names, images, oral comments of self, spouse, and child), in whole or in part, in marketing activities relating to the promotion of the Club. Both parties agree to stop using the content within sixty days upon written request from the other. I agree to release the club and its contractors, agents, and employees, from any claims, so long as such use is in accordance with the rights granted under this release.

Your signatures below means that you have read and agree with the Parent's Expectation and Acknowledgement Form and understand that violation of its terms shall be cause for disciplinary actions, including but not limited to dismissal of a parent, athlete, or both from CUSA.