

National Association for Sport & Physical Education
and Positive Coaching Alliance
NATIONAL CONVERSATION ON GOOD COACHING

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WHEN NICE IS NOT ENOUGH

SITUATION

Your child's coach means well, and the players generally enjoy practices and games. But midway through the season you sense the team is not meeting its potential in terms of effort and wins. You know enough about the sport to think you can help your child's coach improve the situation.

QUERY

- How do you approach this with your child's coach?
- How, if at all, do you talk with your child about the team's performance?
- What do you expect will be the outcomes of those conversations?

ACTION

- Distribute copies to parents at the next youth sports event you attend.
- Send it to friends involved in youth sports and ask their opinions.
- Share this case and discuss these questions with your child.
- Share your opinion at www.positivecoach.org/CaseStudies.aspx or via e-mail to casestudy@positivecoach.org. PCA will publish all civil responses on our website.



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About the National Conversation

National Association for Sport & Physical Education and Positive Coaching Alliance distribute Case Studies periodically to stimulate conversation among youth and high school sports parents, coaches and leaders about the elements of good (and bad) coaching. If you share our goal that youth athletes receive the best coaching available, help us get these case studies to people you know who are involved with youth sports. Thank you.