Team Burden and Actual Role

Keep responsibility clear enough for one child to carry honestly.

An important role is not ownership of everyone's result.

Hypothetical example: A parent realizes a child heard "carry the team" as responsibility for everyone's outcome. The parent corrects the phrase, confirms the actual role with the coach and keeps team support within that role.

01 Hear the sentence the child is carrying

Write what the child heard and understood.

Actual adult words reported

Child's stated interpretation

Concern that needs clarification

02 Put the team's responsibilities back with their owners

Separate the athlete's role from other people's responsibilities.

Athlete's confirmed responsibility

Coach and other athlete responsibilities

Team outcome kept separate

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03 Choose useful support without taking over

Choose one approved form of team support.

Current coach direction

Permitted support for a teammate

Task the child should not take over

04 Change the adult message before the next contest

Correct the adult message and review the actual duty.

Adult correction to give

Appropriate clarification route

Own work to review after the event