



Parent Code of Conduct

The following document outlines expectations of parent behaviour at all MSBA softball and baseball related activities during the season. This includes practices, games, while travelling on tournaments, team sanctioned events, etc.

1. Ensure that your child arrives 1 hour prior to game time and 15 minutes prior to practice time.
2. Provide reasonable notice regarding absence / lateness including vacation plans.
3. At all times, be an advocate for the team and a sponsor of the program, always providing direction off the field to your child consistent with the program.
 - a. *Parent conduct will be a contributing factor determining play time*
4. Consistently display high personal standards and project a favourable image of the sport and of coaching, including:
 - a. Refraining from public criticism of fellow coaches and umpires, especially when speaking to the media, athletes, or parents.
 - b. Abstaining from the use of tobacco products during games and practices while in the presence of athletes; and discourage their use by athletes.
 - c. Abstaining from drinking alcoholic beverages or using drugs of any kind before and when working with athletes.
 - d. Refraining from encouraging the use of alcohol or drugs of any kind in conjunction with athletic events or victory celebrations.
 - e. Refraining from the use of profane, insulting, harassing, or otherwise offensive language.
 - f. Encouraging good sportsmanship and respect for teammates and others, win or lose.
 - g. Demonstrating and encouraging respect and care for equipment, diamonds, dugouts, and other game facilities.
5. Treat competitors and officials with due respect, both in victory and defeat, and encourage athletes to act accordingly. Actively encourage athletes to uphold the rules and the spirit of such rules.
6. Promote additional baseball and fitness activity outside of the softball/baseball program.
7. Utilize the 24-hour rule before bringing a concern to the attention of your Parent Liaison.
8. Cheer enthusiastically; leave the coaching to the coaches.
9. No unnecessary contact with your son/daughter during games and practices; there may be requirements from time to time and they should be exceptions.

TEAM: _____

NAMES (Print): _____

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____