



Edmonton Amateur Baseball Association

9824A-44 Ave Edmonton, Alberta T6E-5E5

Parent Code of Conduct

Parents are welcome to cheer the team and observe the game. We expect that all parents will help prepare for the game to occur by doing things like scorekeeping, pitch counting, field set-up and making sure their kids get to the park on time, with the proper equipment. At EABA, parents cannot coach from the sidelines and should not be instructing players, or talking to coaches or umpires during the game. This is an observation of the rules of the game, but more importantly, it demonstrates respect for the volunteer coaches and the umpires. Our association has a zero-tolerance for poor parent conduct

EABA has implemented the following Parent Code of Conduct for the important message it holds about the proper role of parents in supporting their child in sports. Parents should read, understand and sign this form prior to their children participating in our league. Any parent guilty of improper conduct at any game or practice will be asked to leave the sports facility and be suspended from the following game. Repeat violations may cause a multiple-game suspension or the season forfeiture of the privilege of attending all games.

Preamble:

The essential elements of character-building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship

and six core principles:

- i. Trustworthiness
- ii. Respect
- iii. Responsibility
- iv. Fairness
- v. Caring
- vi. Good Citizenship

The highest potential of sports is achieved when competition reflects these "six pillars of character."

I therefore agree:

- I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
- I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
- I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league.
- I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, team coordinators, officials and spectators at every game, practice or another sporting event.

Waiver:

- I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, team coordinator, player, or parents such as booing and taunting; refusing to shake hands, or using profane language or gestures.



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- I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well-being of the athletes.
- I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- I will demand that my child treat all players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect
- I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning
- I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner every time.
- I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- I will emphasize skill development and practices and how they benefit my child over winning. I will also deemphasize games and competition in the lower age groups.
- I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
- I will respect the umpires and their authority at all times and be a positive example for others with the understanding that any disrespect or abuse towards umpires at any time will not be tolerated and will have immediate consequences ranging from warnings to immediate suspensions.
- I will respect the coaching staff and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed-upon time and place.
- I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all sports events.
- I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.
- I will use the team's communication and management resources (TeamSnap) in only a positive and respectful manner

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

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