



## **Code of Conduct for Players, Parents, Spectators & Coaches**



### **INTRODUCTION**






The JR BADGER BASEBALL & SOFTBALL program is a community organization that sponsors youth baseball and softball activity emphasizing fun, fair play, and sportsmanship. The mission of the JR BADGER BASEBALL & SOFTBALL program is to enhance every participant's enjoyment of their baseball/softball experience. To better achieve this goal, we are outlining a Code of Conduct for all parents, coaches and players involved in JR BADGER BASEBALL & SOFTBALL program.

The Code of Conduct is a written contract between the parents, players, and coaches to abide by the rules and regulations of the game as well as maintain a cooperative attitude and uphold the ideals of fair play and sportsmanship. This contract is more than just paper; it is the essence of our goals and objectives and thus, adherence to it is of primary importance.





Children who wish to play, parents who want their children to play, and Coaches who wish to coach on teams sanctioned by JR BADGER BASEBALL & SOFTBALL program are required to agree to and to sign this Code of Conduct.

### **PLAYERS CODE OF CONDUCT**

#### **All Players Will ...**

-  Display good sportsmanship and team play at all times.
-  Follow the direction of the Coaching Staff.
-  Show respect for all opponents, coaches, players, umpires, league officials and spectators.
-  Make every attempt to be on time and ready to play for all games and practices.
-  Inform coaching staff in a timely manner when unable to attend practice or games.

#### **All Players Will Not ...**











-  Use abusive or profane language.
-  Taunt, humiliate, or bully any other person on or off the field. If suspended from school, players will be suspended from playing.
-  Abuse, mistreat or mishandle any JR BADGER BASEBALL & SOFTBALL equipment or property (eg. Throwing batting helmets).
-  Threaten or fight any person; players represent the JR BADGER BASEBALL & SOFTBALL program.

**Simple Rule in Life** – If you wouldn't like it done to you, don't do it to others.





## COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

Coaches will remain unconditionally supportive of the JR BADGER BASEBALL & SOFTBALL program's commitment to the ideals of good sportsmanship, team play, honesty, loyalty, courage, and respect for authority. Likewise, coaches will remain sensitive to the physical and emotional well-being of the players.

### All Coaches Will ...

-  Be positive role models.
-  Display and instill in their players the principles of good sportsmanship and team play.
-  Conduct themselves in a manner that best serves the interests of the players, parents, and JR BADGER BASEBALL & SOFTBALL program.
-  Do their best to provide their players a positive experience.
-  Ensure that their teams always exhibit good sportsmanship, win or lose. "Humble in Victory and Gracious in Defeat."
-  Treat all players, coaches, opponents, umpires, league officials and spectators with respect.
-  Provide instruction in a manner that is constructive and supportive.
-  Teach the game of baseball/softball to the best of their ability.
-  Comply with the decisions of league and tournament officials and observe all rules, policies, and procedures as established or endorsed by JR BADGER BASEBALL & SOFTBALL, WFL, and the Major YBL.
-  Be drug and alcohol free prior to and while on the field at any JR BADGER BASEBALL & SOFTBALL athletic event.








### All Coaches Will Not ...

-  Ridicule or demean any players, coaches, opponents, umpires, league officials or spectators.
-  Argue with opponents, players, or spectators on any playing field or during any team function.
-  Tolerate behavior that endangers the health or well-being of a child.
-  Use any tobacco products in the dugout or on any playing field or during any team function (practice, game etc.)



## PARENTS & SPECTATORS CODE OF CONDUCT

Parents and Spectators will support the players, coaches, umpires, opponents, and league or tournament officials. Parents and Spectators will not "coach" or "officiate".

### All Parents and Spectators Will ...

-  Conduct themselves in a manner that displays the principles of good sportsmanship and team play.
-  Show respect for all opponents, coaches, players, umpires, league officials and spectators.
-  Inform the Coaching Staff of any disability or ailment that may affect the safety of their child.
-  Comply with the decisions of league officials and observe all rules, policies, and procedures as established or endorsed by JR BADGER BASEBALL & SOFTBALL program.
-  Plan to ensure that the players are punctual in arrival at and departure from all JR BADGER BASEBALL & SOFTBALL athletic events.
-  Notify coaching staff if something comes up that the player will be late or unable to arrive on time.
-  Be drug and alcohol free while at any JR BADGER BASEBALL & SOFTBALL athletic event.

### All Parents and Spectators Will Not ...

-  Ridicule, demean, threaten, or engage in a confrontation with players, coaches, or other spectators.
-  Parents are not to confront umpires for any reason. i.e. In the parking lot after a game.

## CONCLUSION

The JR BADGER BASEBALL & SOFTBALL program GM reserves the right to impose penalties, including, without limitation, game suspensions, dismissal from the team, suspension, or revocation of JR BADGER BASEBALL & SOFTBALL membership for serious or repeated violation of this Code of Conduct or other conduct deemed to be harmful to the JR BADGER BASEBALL & SOFTBALL program.

We agree to abide by the rules and regulations stated herein, and we are bound to all decisions and impositions of these rules. It is with the spirit of cooperation, for the betterment of baseball/softball and our family that we willingly abide by this contract. Our signatures and that of our child is our written approval of this contract.

### **Examples of Discipline that will be enforced, some but not limited to:**

#### Family & Friends:

If an umpire throws out a spectator (family member or friend of the family) during a game, the parent of the player related to the person being thrown out will be asked to not come to the next game.

If someone approaches an umpire after a game, and the umpire reports it to the league, that coach can be suspended from future games, if the coach is suspended by the league, a parent will be suspended for twice the number of games the coach is suspended for.

If a parent does not abide by the suspension the player will sit on the bench and will not play until the parent complies.

#### Players:

If a player breaks the code of conduct it will be first, handled by the coach and the coach will notify the GM. If it escalates the coach will consult with the GM. Players can be benched, suspended, or removed from the program depending on what the violation is.

If a player is suspended from school, the player will also be suspended for the same amount of time from practices and games.

If a player starts a fight with another teammate, that player will at a minimum, be suspended for a minimum of 1 game.



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