# 2023 Team Hustle Maricopa Guidelines & Agenda MISSION STATEMENT

The Team Hustle organization is committed to making our players well-rounded athletes by emphasizing hard work, commitment and determination. Being a great softball player is only one aspect of the game. Effort, Positive attitude, academic excellence and acting with integrity both on and off the field represents the whole package. We develop and implement team, individual and academic goals. We place an emphasis on self-discipline and respect for our parents, siblings, coaches, teammates, and officials. We strive to develop our players' skill set in effort to reach their full softball potential. This program was designed solely to give these girls an opportunity to learn and play softball while competing against the best teams in the state and country. We will hold these girls accountable, we will push them and motivate them to be the best student athletes as possible.

# 12U TEAM MONTHLY DUES: \$130.00

## Total Yearly Cost is \$1300.00 plus any travel expenses

Membership dues for Team Hustle Maricopa are to be paid on the last Friday of each month. At a minimum, dues support field rentals and 2 tournaments a month. Currently the City of Maricopa charges us \$300 a month for our fields on Monday and Wednesday. Tournaments this year fluctuate on price between organizations, No Limit's tournaments range from \$600-\$625 and USSSA tournaments range from \$650-\$700. If you have any financial issues, please do not hesitate to contact me. I am open to working with families that communicate with me. Communication is key. Team Hustle will hold multiple fundraisers per year to hopefully offset team costs, including team uniforms, practice shirts, cheats, team bats, bags, monthly dues, travel expenses and ect. Any and all dues and money raised will directly go to the development of all Team Hustle girls, no coaches or assistant coaches will receive any money, we do this for the love of the sport and the girls, not a paycheck. Below is a monthly breakdown.

	January	February	March	April	May	June
Fields	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Tournaments/ Cost Per	1 / \$625	2 / \$625	1 / \$625	1 / \$625	1 / \$625	2 / \$625
Total	\$925.00	\$1,550.00	\$925.00	\$925.00	\$925.00	\$1,550.00
Players	12	12	12	12	12	12
Dues	\$78.00	\$130.00	\$78.00	\$78.00	\$78.00	\$130.00

	July	August	September	October	November	December
Fields	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Tournaments/ Cost Per	2 / \$625	2 / \$625	2 / \$625	2 / \$625	2 / \$625	1 / \$625
Total	\$1,550.00	\$1,550.00	\$1,550.00	\$1,550.00	\$1,550.00	\$925.00
Players	12	12	12	12	12	12
Dues	\$130.00	\$130.00	\$130.00	\$130.00	\$130.00	\$78.00

# 10U & 14U TEAM MONTHLY DUES: \$25.00

This year Team Hustle has two teams currently being built, the 10U and the 14U teams. We are working hard behind the scenes to acquire the needed players to get them all going, but in the mean time we need these girls out there becoming more proficient at their craft.

# **PRACTICE PLAYERS DUES: \$20.00**

Team Hustle will never discredit a player or turn away anyone looking to be better on the softball field. Practice players seek to improve their softball skills and eventually make the team. Team Hustle model speaks directly to this "Hustle Beats Talent When Talent Doesn't Hustle" I will personally, as a coach, always field a girl that has determination, hustle and a no quit attitude over one that only has talent. Talent will get someone far, but it will rarely get you to the end because when they get there, the girls that were overlooked for their so-called "no talent" worked two to three times harder and surpassed the player with only talent. One of my favorite quotes is from Derek Jeter "There may be people that have more talent than you, but there's no excuse for anyone to work harder than you do" That's why I believe that every girl that takes the initiative to step on the field has talent. One unlocks their true talent through determination and hustle.

## **ATTENDANCE**

Team Hustle emphasizes attendance and timeliness. Athletes are expected to attend all practices and games. Players should arrive early to put softball bags in order, organize gear and assist with equipment set-up. Our practice starts at 5PM, this means the girls should be ready to start with cleats on at 5PM. I will schedule most practices and tournaments ahead of time. The calendar remains tentative and may change from time to time, mostly due to circumstances beyond the organization's control. Families should study the team calendar and schedule appointments and family outings accordingly. Please notify a coach immediately if a school trip or future commitment conflicts with the team's calendar. If a player must miss practice, call or text the coach to keep them informed. Missing practices may result in loss of playing time. This is not meant as a punishment but rather to encourage and reward players who are present. Too many absences may decrease the players opportunity of remaining with the program. Players are expected to attend every team function, including events off the field. INJURIES: In the event of an injury, if possible, the player should still attend events. Much can be learned from helping coaches and listening to directions.

### **UNIFORMS**

The coach will communicate the proper uniform attire prior to scheduled events. Check the team app regularly. It is mandatory that players wear the appropriate uniform and equipment at all times. Uniforms and equipment shall be handled with respect and appear clean and in good shape. Jerseys must always be tucked in. Come prepared to play.

### CONDUCT

The Golden Rule: "Treat others as you wish to be treated." Team Hustle requires good sportsmanship, at all times, from each player, families and friends. We will demonstrate respect for the umpires, opposing players and coaches. We will not tolerate cursing at officials. We realize that umpires make bad calls at times but verbal abuse will cause more harm than good. We ask parents to also refrain from making negative comments about your child or any of her teammates on or off the field. As spectators, positive and encouraging messages will build the confidence of these athletes. We encourage families to put in extra softball work with their daughters, but not during Team Hustle events. After each game, win or lose, we expect players to demonstrate good sportsmanship by shaking the hand of each opposing player and coach.

## **FUNDRAISERS**

Currently we have 5 fundraisers planned throughout the year to help offset costs and bring awareness to our organization. A couple of things to remember about team fundraisers.

- 1. If done correctly, they can drastically reduce expenses associated with club ball dues, equipment, uniforms, travel expenses and so on.
- 2. Fundraisers only work if everyone is on board and gives it 100% to the event
- 3. Fundraisers create a team environment and comradely, the girls and families work together to achieve a set goal to benefit the group.

Annual Calendar Fundraiser - GOAL: \$5000.00 Balloon Pop Fundraiser - GOAL: \$2000.00 Cookie Dough Fundraiser Car Washes

# **ADDRESSING CONCERNS/PROBLEMS:**

Team Hustle encourages an open relationship between coaches, players, and parents. Parents may call or email the coach to set up an appropriate time to address questions or concerns. Never attempt to address concerns immediately after a game or tournament. Allow at least 24 hours to pass after an event before contacting a coach. This also permits time for the coach to reflect on game strategies.

These guidelines are designed to make Team Hustle Arizona Fast pitch run as smoothly as possible. Thank you for your support and the opportunity to coach your daughter. We look forward to a fun and very successful season.

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