

WCAA Coaches/Volunteers Oath

- I will never place the value of winning before the safety and welfare of all players.
- I will always show respect for players, other coaches, and game officials.
- I will lead by example, demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship at all times.
- I will be demonstrate knowledgeable of the rules of the game, and teach these rules to my players.
- I will never use abusive or insulting language. I will treat everyone with dignity.
- I will not tolerate inappropriate behavior, regardless of the situation.
- I will not allow the use of anabolic agents or stimulants, drugs, tobacco, or alcohol by any of my players.
- I will never knowingly jeopardize the eligibility and participation of a student-athlete.
- Youth have a greater need for example than criticism. I will be the primary sport role model.
- I will at all times conduct myself in a positive manner.
- I realize that Coaching is motivating players to produce their best effort, inspiring players to learn, and encouraging players to be winners.
- I will conduct myself on sidelines during games in the spirit of "good sportsmanship" at all times. Profanity, profane gestures, arguing, inciting disruptive behavior by spectators and/or players, or any conduct not in the spirit of good sportsmanship, will not be tolerated and will require disciplinary action from the affiliate.
- Alcohol, illegal drugs and unauthorized prescription drugs shall not be possessed, consumed or distributed before, during or after any game or at any other time at the field and/or game complex.

WCAA Coaches Code of Conduct

1. Be positive, and constructive with the children on your team. This is a recreational league that promotes fun and growth through the sports of Baseball and Softball.
2. There will be no smoking or use of tobacco on the playing field or in the dugouts. During a game, a manager or coach may not leave the playing field except in an emergency.
3. Managers, coaches, and/or players will not be permitted to throw their hats, bats, gloves, helmets, etc. or commit any other acts of unsportsmanlike conduct. A violation may result in ejection from the game. If a player or coach has two ejections, he must sit out an additional game.
4. Any suggestion or complaint from coaches or parents must be in writing following the chain of command (to Player Agent, then Committee Chairman) and a meeting of the WCAA Baseball & Softball Committee will be called for discussion.
5. Umpire abuse by coaches, players or parents will not be tolerated. The penalties could be ejection and possible suspension or expulsion from the park. This determination shall be governed by WCAA Baseball & Softball rules.
6. Managers, players, and spectators will not be permitted to ride, harass, or interfere in any way with the opposing team or umpires during play. Managers and coaches will do everything in their power to assist in controlling the conduct of their team and fans. The manager will be prohibited from making gestures or dislike and criticism to the stands concerning the umpires. All discussions should be away from the fans and players and concern only the manager and the umpire. If the umpire is unable to control the fans, he may eject the person or persons from the stands.
7. Each team manager will be responsible for the eligibility, training, and conduct of the players and families of the players on his team.
8. All parents and spectators will conduct themselves in a manner as to reflect good sportsmanship. Any conduct not in the best interest of WCAA Baseball & Softball may be cause for expulsion and banning of a player's parents or spectators from further presence at a league game or function. Failure to adhere to a penalty so enacted may be cause for suspension or dismissal of a player from the league. A suspension or expulsion of a parent or spectator will require a two-thirds majority vote of the WCAA Baseball & Softball Committee.
9. Any coach or player being ejected from a game may appeal to the WCAA Baseball & Softball Committee. Any decision the Board renders shall be final.
10. Parents, coaches, player, and umpires must sign a copy of the code of conduct rules.
11. Sportsmanship: Coaches will not disparage, insult, degrade, demean or mistreat any player, parent, league official or referee in any way. This is a recreational program and as coaches you must set the proper example for your players and parents. If told to leave by a game official, you must leave the playing area immediately. An ejected coach will have to be reinstated by the Baseball & Softball Committee before being allowed to participate in practices or games again. Youth Athletics can be very emotional. Please stay in control at all times.
12. And, of course, Coaching! This is a recreational program, so teach your kids the fundamentals and strategy of your sport in a fun and instructional atmosphere. No need for any boot camps. Please remember that all players must play a percentage of each game mandated by the Player Agent(s) as long as they come to practices and are willing participants. You do not have to make a player go into a game if they do not want to.

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