

Mueller Park Baseball Parent Code of Conduct

Youth sports foster courage, character, loyalty, good health and good citizenship. Bountiful Mueller Park Baseball ("the League") strives to uphold these values and expects everyone who participates in the League to do so. The Code of Conduct reflects the policy of the League. It is intended to provide guidance to all persons who are associated with the League's baseball players, including but not limited to parents, guardians, coaches and spectators. The Code of Conduct is not an exclusive statement for the conduct of the League, and the League, through its Board of Directors, shall be the sole judge as to any interpretation given to the Code of Conduct. Our aim is to make the game of baseball an enjoyable, attractive, healthy and worthwhile activity for the children. The League will not tolerate abusive or profane language or physical contact to be directed towards anyone connected with the League. The League encourages parents and/or guardians, who have children participating in the League, to advise their family members and/or invited guests of the League's Code of Conduct. By signing this document, I agree to the following:

GENERAL CODE OF CONDUCT

- Remember that children participate in sports for their enjoyment and development, not mine.
- Try to attend my child's games.
- Encourage my child to participate, not force him or her.
- Focus on the children's efforts and performance rather than on winning or losing.
- Encourage children to always play according to the rules and to settle disagreements without resorting to hostility or violence.
- Never ridicule or yell at any child for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- Never criticize an umpire, opposing team, its players, coaches or fans by word of mouth or by gestures.
- Never enter the field of play, except in the case of an emergency.
- Never lay a hand on, strike, shove or threaten an umpire, player, spectator or coach.
- Remember that children learn best by example.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
- Respect the umpire's decisions and teach my child to do likewise.
- Show appreciation for coaches, umpires and administrators, recognizing that without them my child could not participate.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- Never smoke or use tobacco in any form, or use, or be under the influence of, alcoholic beverages and/or illegal drugs, on or around fields during practices, games or activities.
- **Agree that any parent, fan, spectator, coach or player who becomes a nuisance, out of control or aggressive will be asked to leave the game and field area.**
- **During a game, the umpire, in his or her sole discretion, shall have the right to eject, or otherwise have removed, any coach, player or spectator from the field and the surrounding area. Any parent, coach or player shall have the right to file a**

written Complaint with the League President, against any parent, coach, player or umpire for any violation of the Code of Conduct, or for any other conduct which the complaining person feels is detrimental to the League.