I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care, and encouragement for my child, my child's coaches, and all children participating in youth baseball by adhering to the Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct in the following ways:

# 1. I will lead by example through:

- Encouraging good sportsmanship and positive support for all coaches, players, opponents, opposing fans, and umpires at every game, practice, or other BMBA sporting event.
- I understand the importance of setting a good example for my child as children are influenced by those surrounding them.

## 2. I will act responsibly and do my best to assure that:

- My child gets to practice and games on time. I understand that my child needs to be on time to assure adequate warm-up and that arriving late can be embarrassing for my child.
- I will assure my child is picked up from all games and practices on time. By doing this, I send a message to my child that he/she is my top priority as well as showing respect for the coach.
- I place the emotional and physical well being of my child ahead of a win at all cost attitude. I will help to create an environment that builds a culture where winning is not defined by outcome of competition, but by the individual needs of the children.
- I understand that children are born with different abilities, and that it is not important how my child compares to others, but that he/she is given the opportunity to display their personal best.
- My child has a positive and fun youth baseball experience. I understand and will remember that the game is for the players, not the adults, and will keep that in perspective.
- I help my child maintain his/her focus on the game by not visiting or approaching the dugout unless asked to do so by the coaches or to offer immediate praise for my child's accomplishments.
- I demand a sports environment that is free from tobacco and refrain from its use at all youth baseball events. I understand that every child deserves to play in a healthy and safe environment.

### 3. I will display appropriate behaviour.

I understand that violations of the following codes will jeopardize my privilege to attend all BMBA sports activities:

- Treating each coach, player, opponent, opposing fan, umpire, or BMBA administrator with respect and dignity, and will refrain from making negative comments, using profanity, intimidation tactics, and/or inappropriate language especially in the presence of children. I understand that by voicing negative comments, I can poorly impact my child's motivation and overall experience.
- I will not tell the coaches how to coach nor criticize coaches or players, and will
  discuss any problems or concerns privately with coaches or parent reps at an
  agreed upon time and date.

#### 4. Terminal behaviour.

I understand that violations of the following codes will result in immediate dismissal of my privilege to attend all BMBA sports activities:

- I will demand a sports environment that is free from drugs and alcohol, and refraining from their use at all youth sporting events. I understand that every child deserves to play in a healthy and safe environment.
- I will refrain from initiating or participating in any form of verbal or physical assault toward any coach, player, opposing fan, umpire or BMBA administratior.
   Violations of the Parent Code of Conduct will result in written documentation, advisory consultation and possible disciplinary action. The following data outlines

### Conduct Codes 1 and 2

- Any violation under Codes I and II will result in verbal consultation by the Head Coach.
- Additional violations under Code I and II will result in a sit-down consultation between the BMBA Disciplinary Committee and the parent.

the disciplinary procedures of the Binbrook Minor Baseball Association:

#### **Conduct Code 3**

- Any violation under Code III will result in a sit-down consultation between the BMBA Disciplinary Committee and the parent. Suspension\* from attending BMBA youth baseball programs will accompany.
- A second violation under Code III will result in termination of that parent's privilege to attend BMBA youth baseball programs.

#### **Conduct Code 4**

- Any violation under Code IV will result in termination\* of that parent's privilege to attend BMBA youth baseball programs.
- \*Parents once suspended or terminated from BMBA youth baseball programs are not able to attend ANY games or practices that ANY BMBA team participates in. Failure to comply by the parent/guardian will jeopardize their child's ongoing participation in BMBA baseball programs.