



Coaches:

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#### WVBC BASEBALL CLUB PARENT ETIQUETTE FORM

I support my child's commitment to become a member of the WVBC BASEBALL CLUB. My family is an extension of our baseball family, and as a result I understand I am expected to do my best to commit to team rules and regulations.

1. I commit to making sure my child arrives at games and practices on time. This means often arriving 15 minutes early so that my child has enough time to get situated prior to joining our practice or pre-game preparations.
2. I will be sure that my child is properly equipped, sun-protected, hydrated and fueled for practices and games. This includes proper uniforms, gloves, bags and meals.
3. I will show respect for the umpires. They will often make the wrong call, but the job of the umpire is not an easy one. Voicing my displeasure will not improve the situation.
4. I will stay away from the dugout during games and allow coaches to coach. While this is not easy, I know that providing potentially conflicting messages during a game can be confusing to my child and my presence at the dugout may contribute negatively to his ability to focus.
5. I am responsible for the behavior of all family members at games and practices. Others may attend games to cheer on my child, and I need to be sure that they also handle themselves according to these rules.
6. I will provide encouragement and support for my child. My child needs to hear my positive encouragement throughout the game.
7. I will provide encouragement and support for all players on the team. As a team, it's important to provide the same support for my child's teammates.
8. I will respect the opposing team, coaches and fans. They are the same as us in many ways, but they simply wear different uniforms. Appreciation for their performance and respect for their abilities will contribute to a positive game environment.



9. I understand that winning is important to the team, but the primary objective is promoting an environment of growth and learning. They will win. They will lose. They will make mistakes. One of the most important things will be what they learn from success and failure.

10. I will support the coach's message. While I will not agree with the coach at all times, I also understand that contradicting the coach's message is counterproductive.

11. I will help my child embrace his role, no matter what it is. I may not agree with where my child hits or plays in the field, but it is important that I help my child embrace and master that role for the best possible experience.

12. I will refrain from public complaints about coaching and other players with parents. While I will not always agree with how the team is being coached, I know that these reactions do not help.

13. I will respect the challenges the coaches face and time commitment they make. I know that coaching isn't easy. It's a significant contribution of time and energy, often with the side effect of stress.

14. I will make payments for team fees as scheduled. The team is not a bank, and several large payments are due on a scheduled basis for tournaments, uniforms, practice facilities and more.

15. I will do everything within my control to make this a positive experience for my child, other players, families and coaches. I will do my part to contribute to this baseball family!

I will always do my best to follow these rules. While I am not expected to be perfect and we will all have our weak moments, the main thing is that I will make a consistent effort to help nurture a positive environment for all.

However, I will not consistently neglect or ignore these rules. Depending on the severity and frequency of my infractions, I understand that my actions may impact the standing of my child on this team.

I understand these rules, and I will do my best to always represent this team and my child well.



## **Games and Payment Info**

### **Playing Time**

Playing time will be decided on two levels. We will first evaluate kids based on their performance at team practices. The coaches will evaluate how the players are learning and applying the information taught to them at practice. The better players during practice will get the start for the weekend games. We will then alternate playing time throughout the league games.

For tournaments, we will split time in Pool Play games. When we get into elimination games, playing time will be based on performance from the pool play games. Everything on the team will be performance based, and no position is guaranteed throughout the season.

Failure to follow rules or continued absence from scheduled practices without "early communication" may also result in a loss of playing time.

### **Tournament Organization**

- Club Ball teams participate in tournaments that are held and organized by leagues and groups that are completely separate from what is organized by WVBC coaches. This means that the WVBC coaches are not responsible for tournament schedules, organization of tournaments, or any administrative issues related with the tournament or league we play in. Our coaches try to be in contact with the coordinators of leagues and tournaments as much as possible, but often times tournaments and leagues are rather unorganized, which is frustrating to both parents and coaches.
- We will try and give everybody as much notice for tournaments as possible, and will choose dates that work best for everyone ahead of time, however; the advertisement of tournaments often can be rather late. We often will schedule a weekend to play in a tournament, but which tournament will be left undetermined. There are several tournaments every weekend, but oftentimes the regularly listed tournaments are far. Local tournaments may only pop up only a month before the scheduled date. We would prefer to plan a weekend to play, but not establish the exact with hopes of finding the closest tournament. With Covid 19 affecting the schedule this year, we will try to be as informative as possible.



### **Team Expenses Breakdown - DURING COVID 19 RESTRICTIONS**

Coaches Cost \$240

Regular Practices will be held twice a week -  $\$30 \times 8 = \$240$

### **Team Expenses Breakdown - ONCE GAMES & TOURNAMENTS RESUME**

Coaches Cost \$300

Regular Practices will be held twice a week -  $\$30 \times 8 = \$240$

Total Games cost - Avg 4 per month / \$15 each -  $\$15 \times 4 = \$60$

THIS IS ROUGHLY AN ESTIMATE. SOME MONTHS MAY HAVE MORE GAMES / PRACTICES BECAUSE THERE ARE MORE WEEKS. SOME GAMES OR PRACTICES WILL GET RAINED OUT / CANCELED SOME MONTHS, SO INSTEAD OF PRORATING THE PRICE, WE JUST CHARGE A FLAT FEE EVERY MONTH.

### **Payment Method:**

Credit Card - Credit card info must be kept on file.

### **Extraneous Costs To Be Split By Team**

Coaches Costs are completely separate from Administrative costs

E.G. - Tournament entry fees, League Fees, Etc

Administrative Costs: Totals will be divided by total # of players on the team participating.

*For Instance* : If the entry fee of a tournament is \$500, and there are 10 players participating in that tournament, each parent will be required to bring cash or check to the first game made out for \$50.

Tournament entry Fees- \$40 - 70 estimate / each tournament average price split between players

League Fees - League fees will be split between each player

Team Gear/ Uniform Fees \$125 - \$150



### **Extra Scheduled Tournaments-**

Tournaments that are not previously scheduled can be added for an additional charge. For instance, if a team wants to play a month we are dark, we can arrange it for an additional charge. If practices are also required, they can be added at a prorated amount for off time workouts. This will also be based on player availability, and ultimate discretion of the coaching staff.

REFUNDS: By committing to the team, you are agreeing to the entire fall schedule and payment plan. Refunding will be decided by the WVBC staff's discretion.

FOR ANY PLAYER TO BE CONSIDERED FOR OUR FALL PROGRAM, THIS INFORMATIONAL PACKET MUST BE RETURNED BY TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST.

PLAYER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B: \_\_\_\_\_

PRINT PARENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGN PARENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_