



TRI-VALLEY BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

PARENTS /PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT

PRINCIPLES FOR APPROPRIATE CONDUCT: PARENTS / PLAYER

Being involved in TVBA demands time and effort on the part of the parents. Parents, in no small measure, help determine the success of the baseball program by understanding the requirements of team participation. Some of the behaviors and redeeming qualities that a parent will demonstrate to help their player, the team, the Association, and the Game are:

1. Places the welfare of the player and their future, personal/professional successes above the outcome of a game.
2. Make sure that your player knows that win or lose, you appreciate the effort made. Offer praises more frequently than criticisms; cheers *for* your own team, never *against* opponents.
3. Accepts personal disappointment gracefully; doesn't pass it along to the player or team members.
4. Acknowledges your coach(es) for a job well done and discusses any health issues concerning your child with them.
5. Embodies the reality that the coach has the responsibility of an entire team in the field. Understand, therefore, that the coach is not responsible for the behavior of your child outside of the field. Activity and behavior of the player at all times is the sole responsibility of the parents.
6. Avoids becoming a chronic complainer and acknowledges that those who do often do not have a solution. If you are of the belief that something systemic is wrong with your player's team, contact your coach. If this does not achieve resolution, discuss your concern with the TVBA Board.
7. Mindful of Zero Tolerance rules for conduct during competitions, parents will conduct themselves with respect for the ump's and opponents at all times and will wait 24 hours after an issue occurs to talk to or communicate in any way with the coach regarding the issue. In addition, parents will not air their grievances on any public forum including but not limited to all social media platforms (i.e. Facebook, Instagram, SnapChat, etc.).
8. Parents are expected to provide their players with the required equipment and assist them in taking proper care of their equipment.
9. Through the registration of their children with the Association, parents are to support the TVBA philosophy of encouraging players to enjoy baseball as a sport and to have fun.
10. Parents are expected to assist the team where needed. This includes providing essential volunteer manpower during games and TVBA Tournaments.

Should violations of any of the above expectations for conduct be observed:

Parents whose conduct reflects negatively on the team, the TVBA, or The Game will be referred to the TVBA Board of Directors. The TVBA Board of Directors reserves the right to ban parents from attending games in the event observed behaviors continue.

As parents of TVBA players, we have read and reviewed the TVBA Parents Code of Conduct and agree to abide by the code.

Parent Signature

Date

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