GRIEVANCE FORM (to be filed within 10 days of occurrence)	
My name is	and I wish to file a grievance with
Arcadia PONY Baseball against	regarding actions that occurred on
(date) at the following loc	cation:
The facts and circumstances regarding my complaint are	e as follows:
(Please attach as man	y pages as is necessary)
I request that following action be taken as a result of my	/ complaint:
My contact information is:	
Phone #s	
Address	
Email	

Return this form to: Arcadia PONY Baseball President – Manny Loayza <u>President@ArcadiaPony.com</u>

Article XVIII GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

- 1801 Any person (player, coach, manager and/or spectator) attending or participating in a Arcadia PONY Baseball (APB) event will demonstrate sportsmanlike conduct. Any person acting unsportsmanlike is subject to verbal warning and possible ejection from a game under discretion of the umpire. Additionally, any affected party may file an official complaint/grievance as per this Grievance Policy. In the event that conduct is criminal in nature, the local police will be called.
- 1802 Examples of prohibited unsportsmanlike conduct include, but are not limited to:
 - a) Displays Of Temper includes, but is not limited to, throwing, kicking or abusing equipment, expressions of rage, shouting or screaming at the opponent from across the field, not shaking hands after a game, etc.
 - b) Bad Language includes, but is not limited to, swearing and cursing in the presence of a player, coach, manager, umpire or spectator.
 - c) Taunting includes, but is not limited to, verbal or visible body expressions with the intention to belittle or show disrespect for an opponent.
 - d) Physical Violence includes, but is not limited to, rough or injurious physical force, action, or treatment.
 - e) Substance Abuse includes, but is not limited to, consumption of alcoholic beverages by a minor, use of tobacco products by a minor and/or use of illegal substances by any person.
 - f) Any other action or behavior believed to be in violation of the ARCADIA PONY BASEBALL CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS.
- **18.03** Grievance Procedure
 - a) All parties should make every attempt to resolve grievances informally. However, informal resolution may not resolve all conflicts and may not be appropriate under the circumstances
 - b) Formal complaints must be submitted to the President no more than 10 days after the occurrence that is the subject of the grievance.
 - c) Grievances must be in written form and include the following information:
 - 1. The name, telephone number and email address of the person filing the grievance;
 - 2. The name of the person against whom the grievance is filed;
 - 3. The nature of the complaint;
 - 4. The relevant dates and locations;
 - 5. The desired resolution
 - d) The President will investigate the complaint and will submit a written recommendation to the Board which will be voted on at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting.

- e) The President may recommend:
 - 1. Dismissing the complaint as without merit;
 - 2. Written warning from the Board President;
 - 3. Suspension from one or more games or practices;
 - 4. Recommendation against select team participation;
 - 5. Removal from League position;
 - 6. One-year suspension from League; and/or
 - 7. Referral to local police for criminal investigation
- f) The Board will vote to accept, amend or reject the President's recommendation by 2/3 vote of the Board. The President will send a written notification of the Board's decision to all affected parties.
- g) The decision of the Board is final.
- 18.04 Retaliation is prohibited
 - a) No person filing a grievance will be subjected to retaliation, regardless of the disposition of the claim.
 - b) Retaliation may include, but is not limited to an observed change in playing time, position, batting order, or disposition.
 - c) Anyone found to have retaliated against a grievant may be suspended indefinitely.

