

Player Code of Conduct



We, the Granite Falls Little League, have implemented the following Player Code of Conduct for the important message it holds about the proper role of athletes in participation in sports. Players should read, understand and sign this form prior to participating in our League.

Any Player guilty of improper conduct at any game or practice will be asked to leave the sports facility and be suspended from the following game. Repeat violations may cause a multiple game suspension, or the season forfeiture of the privilege of attending all games.

Preamble

The essential elements of character-building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core principles:

- Trustworthiness,
- Respect,
- Responsibility,
- Fairness,
- Caring, and
- Good Citizenship

The highest potential of sports is achieved when competition reflects these "six pillars of character."

I therefore agree:

- 1. I will attend all practices, games, and all other team functions on time. If I am unable to attend, I will notify the coach as soon as I become aware.
- 2. I will arrive to each game and practice dressed in appropriate practice attire/game uniform.
- 3. I will, at all times, show respect towards all coaches, players, and anyone else that may be assisting my team
- 4. I will demonstrate "GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP" on and off the field.
- 5. I will not fight, use profanity, put down my teammates, or argue with my coach or officials.

- 6. I will stay within the established areas of the dugout while my team is up to bat.
- 7. I understand that I risk being ejected and/or suspended from a game or further Little League participation is incur unsportsmanshiplike conduct penalties.
- 8. I will obey the coaches and the rules of Little League Baseball/Softball both National and Local.
- 9. I will be a "TEAM" Player and always put the team first.
- 10. I understand that the use or possession of drugs, alcohol, any tobacco products, or participation in any illegal activity will be reason for my ejection from the team and/or any League participation.
- 11. I will show proper respect for an official's judgment and interpretation of the rules.
- 12. I will not criticize an opposing team, its players, coaches, or fans by work of mouth of gestures.
- 13. I understand that all jewelry, including, but not limited to, earrings, necklaces and watches must be removed prior to taking the field. This also applies to cell phones.

I have read and understand the Player Code of Conduct and agree to follow it to the best of my ability. I realize that failure to do so may result in my removal from my team or suspension from League Participation. I agree to participate within the guidelines and expectations that are made for me.