



Parent Code of Conduct

EPBYAA and the BASE Play RBI Program have authored the Parent Code of Conduct for the important message it holds about the critical role of parents as a support structure for their child in athletics. Parents, please read, understand and sign this form prior to the start of the BASE Play RBI baseball and softball seasons.

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

**The highest potential of sports is achieved when competition reflects these
“6 Pillars of Character.”**

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

I therefore agree:

1. I will remember that the goal of the program is the safety of the players, the encouragement of academic excellence and that children participate and have fun.
2. I will remember the game is for youth, not adults.
3. I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
4. I, and my guests, will be a positive role models for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or other event.
5. I, and my guests, will not engage in any unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent, such as booing, taunting, refusing to shake hands or using profane language or gestures.
6. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well being of the athletes.
7. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or bad behavior.
8. I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.



9. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.
10. I will praise my child for competing fairly, showing good sportsmanship and trying hard.
11. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake or losing a competition.
12. I will emphasize skills development and practices over winning games by understanding how they benefit my child.
13. I will promote the emotional and physical well being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
14. I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field.
15. If I have an issue regarding the games or practices, I will take time to speak with the coach at an agreed upon time and place with no players present.
15. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all sports events.
16. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.

Any parent displaying improper conduct at any game or practice will be asked to leave the sports facility and be suspended from the following game.

By signing this I agree to the principles outlined above and will practice these behaviors during the BASE Play RBI season and in particular at all Saturday games, especially during tournaments.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

EVERY PLAYER WHO GETS AN EDUCATION WINS!