

Tri-Cities Travel Code of Conduct

Parents

I will not force my child to participate in sports.

I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youths, not adults.

I will inform the coach of any physical disabilities or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.

I will learn the rules of the game and policies of the team.

I (and my guests) will be a positive role model 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 Tri-Cities Travel event.

I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player or parent such as booing and taunting, refusing to shake hands, or using profane language or gestures.

I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well being of the athletes.

I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.

I will teach my child to treat other players, coaches, officials, and spectators with respect regardless of their race, creed, color, sex, or ability.

I will teach my child that doing one's best is the more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his or her performance.

I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard and make my child feel like a winner.

I will not ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake or losing a competition.

I will emphasize skill development and practices and how they benefit my child.

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.

I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will not question or confront coaches at the game field. I will take the time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time.

I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, all forms of tobacco and alcohol.

I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games or practice unless asked.

Violation Guidelines: I hereby affirm that I have read and agree to the Bison Baseball Tri-Cities Travel Team Parent Code of Conduct (code) and accept that if I fail to conform my conduct to the Code I will be subject to disciplinary action, but not limited to the following in any order or combination:

1. Verbal warning issued by the Team
2. Written warning issued by the Team
3. Suspension or immediate ejection from a Tri-Cities Travel Team event
4. Season suspension or multiple season suspensions from Tri-Cities Travel Team.

I also understand any parent guilty of improper conduct at any game or practice will be asked to leave the sports facility and that failure to comply may result in the summoning of the local police authority to enforce the ejection.

Players

When you signed up to play ball with a Tri-Cities Travel Team, you took on the responsibility of being part of a Team. The items listed below are expectations that the team would like you to follow during the season.

- I pledge to provide a positive attitude among my team, teammates, coaches and members of the other teams while participating on the Tri-Cities Travel Team.
 - I will demonstrate good sportsmanship by supporting all players, coaches and officials at every game or practice.
 - I will treat players, coaches, officials and fans with respect by refraining from rude or abusive language, actions or gestures.
 - I will demonstrate humility in winning and dignity in losing. I understand that baseball is a team sport.
 - I will make every effort to arrive at all games, practices or related events at the scheduled time and ready to play. I will or my parents/guardian will notify the manager in advance of any expected absence or late arrival to a game or practice.
 - I will pay attention to my coaches and follow their directions, realizing they have given freely of their own time to teach me how to play the sport, making it more fun for me.
 - I will remain personally alert and attentive; refrain from unsafe actions such as throwing equipment or unnecessary physical contact and watch out for other players to ensure safe and healthy playing conditions.
 - I understand that I will come to all games and practices with the proper equipment to play the game or practice.
 - I understand that I will come to all games and practices wearing the proper safety equipment items.
- I understand that a violation of this code may result in the suspension of my participation on the Tri-Cities Travel Team.

Parent Signature and Date

Players Name Printed - Team Name

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