



Code of Conduct for Players, Parents, Spectators & Coaches

INTRODUCTION

The OGRCC is a community organization that sponsors youth baseball activity emphasizing fun, fair play and sportsmanship. The mission of our OGRCC REC BASEBALL and THUNDER BASEBALL Programs is to enhance every participant's enjoyment of their baseball experience. To better achieve this goal, we are outlining a Code of Conduct for all parents, coaches and players involved in OGRCC REC BASEBALL and/or THUNDER BASEBALL.

The Code of Conduct is a written contract between the parents, players and coaches to abide by the rules and regulations of the game as well as maintain a cooperative attitude and uphold the ideals of fair play and sportsmanship. This contract is more than just paper; it is the essence of our goals and objectives and thus, adherence to it is of primary importance.

Children who wish to play, parents who want their children to play, and Coaches who wish to coach on teams sanctioned by OGRCC REC BASEBALL and/or THUNDER BASEBALL are required to agree to and to sign this Code of Conduct.

PLAYERS CODE OF CONDUCT

All players Will ...

- Display good sportsmanship and team play at all times.
- Follow the direction of the Coaching Staff.
- Show respect for all opponents, coaches, players, umpires, league officials and spectators.
- Make every attempt to be on time and ready to play for all games and practices.
- Inform coaching staff in a timely manner when unable to attend practice or games.

All Players Will Not ...

- Use abusive or profane language
- Taunt or humiliate any other player
- Abuse, mistreat or mishandle any Thunder Baseball equipment or property (eg. throwing batting helmets)
- Threaten or fight any person while at any Thunder Baseball game or practice



PARENTS & SPECTATORS CODE OF CONDUCT

Parents and Spectators will support the players, coaches, umpires, opponents and league or tournament officials. Parents and Spectators won't "coach" or "officiate".

All Parents and Spectators Will ...

- Conduct themselves in a manner that displays the principals of good sportsmanship and team play.
- Show respect for all opponents, coaches, players, umpires, league officials and spectators.
- Inform the Coaching Staff of any disability or ailment that may affect the safety of their child.
- Comply with the decisions of league officials and observe all rules, policies and procedures as established or endorsed by OGRCC REC BASEBALL and/or THUNDER BASEBALL.
- Make arrangements to ensure that the players are punctual in arrival at and departure from all OGRCC REC BASEBALL and/or THUNDER BASEBALL athletic events.
- Be drug and alcohol free while at any OGRCC REC BASEBALL and/or THUNDER BASEBALL athletic event.

All Parents and Spectators Will Not ...

- Ridicule, demean, threaten or engage in a confrontation with players, coaches, other spectators or umpires.



COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

Coaches will remain unconditionally supportive of the OGRCC REC BASEBALL's and THUNDER BASEBALL's commitment to the ideals of good sportsmanship, team play, honesty, loyalty, courage and respect for authority. Likewise, coaches will remain sensitive to the physical and emotional well-being of the players.

All Coaches Will ...

- Be positive role models.
- Display and instill in their players the principals of good sportsmanship and team play.
- Conduct themselves in a manner that best serves the interests of the players, parents and THUNDER BASEBALL.
- Do their best to provide their players a positive experience.
- Ensure that their teams exhibit good sportsmanship at all times, win or lose. "Humble in Victory and Gracious in Defeat."
- Treat all players, coaches, opponents, umpires, league officials and spectators with respect.
- Provide instruction in a manner that is constructive and supportive.
- Teach the game of baseball to the best of their ability.
- Comply with the decisions of league and tournament officials and observe all rules, policies, and procedures as established or endorsed by OGRCC REC BASEBALL and/or THUNDER BASEBALL.
- Be drug and alcohol free while at any OGRCC REC BASEBALL and/or THUNDER BASEBALL athletic event.

All Coaches Will Not ...

- Ridicule or demean any players, coaches, opponents, umpires, league officials or spectators.
- Argue with opponents, players or spectators on any playing field or during any team function.
- Tolerate behavior that endangers the health or well-being of a child.
- Use any tobacco products in the dugout or on any playing field or during any team function (practice, game etc.)



CONCLUSION

The OGRCC Board of Directors reserves the right to impose penalties, including, without limitation, game suspensions, dismissal from the team, suspension or revocation of OGRCC membership for serious or repeated violation of this Code of Conduct or other conduct deemed to be harmful to the OGRCC REC BASEBALL and/or THUNDER BASEBALL.

We agree to abide by the rules and regulations stated herein, and we are bound to all decisions and impositions of these rules. It is with the spirit of cooperation, for the betterment of baseball and our family that we willingly abide by this contract. Our signatures and that of our child is our written approval of this contract.

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Player's Name	Player's Signature	Date
_____	_____	_____
Parent 1 Name	Parent 1 Signature	Date
_____	_____	_____
Parent 2 Name	Parent 2 Signature	Date
_____	_____	_____
Coach Name	Coach Signature	Date

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