

Dear League Presidents,

April 8, 2026

As we continue our current Little League Season, it is essential that we collectively reaffirm and enforce the standards of conduct expected of all participants and spectators. The integrity of our program and the experience of the youth we serve depends on a consistent and uncompromising commitment to sportsmanship, respect, and accountability.

The Sports Parent Code of Conduct clearly establishes expectations rooted in the six core principles of character: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and good citizenship. These principles are not optional; they are the foundation of our league and must be upheld at all times.

While parents and spectators are expected to adhere to these standards, it is the responsibility of each league to ensure compliance. As League Presidents, you are expected to hold your managers and coaches directly accountable for the behavior of their teams' parents and guests. Coaches set the tone for their sideline, and that responsibility extends beyond the players to include all affiliated spectators.

There must be zero tolerance for unsportsmanlike behavior. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Verbal abuse of players, coaches, officials, or other spectators
- Use of profane or inappropriate language or gestures
- Taunting, intimidation, or confrontational behavior
- Any actions that undermine the safety, respect, and integrity of the game

Any parent or spectator found in violation of the Code of Conduct will be required to leave the facility immediately and will be suspended from at least the following game. Repeat or severe violations will result in extended suspensions, up to and including removal from all league activities for the remainder of the season.

Please be advised that failure to enforce these standards at the league level may result in further disciplinary action, including potential impact on your league's eligibility or standing within Little League International play. We must remain united in our commitment to providing a safe, respectful, and positive environment for our players. The game belongs to the children, and it is our duty to ensure that their experience reflects the highest ideals of youth sports.

Your leadership and cooperation in this matter are not only expected—they are required.

Sincerely,  
Eric Tillery  
District Administrator  
Texas East District 13 Little League