



# Norton Youth Baseball Softball

## Parent Code of Conduct

Norton Youth Baseball Softball values participation of all skill levels, and strives to teach character, confidence, teamwork, and courage in a fun environment through quality instruction. Our mission is to provide an opportunity for every player to develop their baseball/softball skills, have respect for their teammates and competitors, and achieve their individual goals. We will strive to teach life lessons along the way.

Parents play a vital role in the development of their child's success, as well as the success of NYBS. Therefore, we expect parents to do the following:

- Be a positive role model through their own actions to make sure their child has the best experience possible.
- Be a fan of the team, not just a fan of your own child.
- Show respect for the opposing players, coaches, and spectators.
- Be respectful of all officials' decisions.
- Do not instruct your child before, during, or after a game, because it may conflict with the coach's plans and strategies.
- Praise your child in their attempt to try to improve themselves.
- Gain an understanding and appreciation for the rules of the contest.
- Help your child learn that success is experience in the development of skills and that they can feel good about themselves, win or lose.
- Address problems or concerns with coaches and NYBS board members in an appropriate manner, including proper time and place.
- Do not engage in any behavior which would endanger the health, safety, or well-being of any player, coach, parent, participant, official, or other game attendee.
- Parents are prohibited from posting anything on social media – direct or implied– that could be implied as negative, critical, or derogatory in reference to any specific NYBS affiliated individual/teams other than his or her own self or children. Positive comments are of course fine.
- Encourage your child to treat any player, coach, parent, participant, official or other game attendee with respect regardless of race, creed, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, or ability.
- Do not encourage your child, or any other person, to initiate a fight or scuffle with any player, coach, parent, participant, official, or other game attendee.
- Refrain from using drugs, alcohol, and tobacco before and during events.
- Respect the coaches and board decision. The main focus of NYBS is always the best interest of the players.

Remember, this game is for the kids!

Nonobservance of this Code of Conduct may be brought before the NYBS board and may result in disciplinary action up to and including dismissal attending NYBS games and events.