

Parent Code of Conduct

West Sacramento Little League

As a parent or guardian of a player in West Sacramento's Little League Baseball program, I recognize the important role I play in fostering a positive, supportive, and respectful environment for all involved in the sport. I commit to upholding the following standards of conduct to ensure that my actions contribute to the enjoyment and development of all players, coaches, officials, and families involved in the league.

1. Support for Coaches and Team Officials - I will respect the decisions and guidance of coaches and team officials, understanding they are volunteers dedicated to the development of the players. I will communicate with coaches in a respectful and constructive manner, focusing on the player's development and well-being. I will encourage my child to listen to and learn from their coaches.
2. Support for Players - I will encourage my child to do their best, maintain a positive attitude, and embrace both wins and losses as opportunities for learning and growth. I will remind my child that Little League is about enjoyment, teamwork, and skill development, not solely about winning. I will support my child in their individual progress, focusing on effort, improvement, and fun, rather than on outcomes alone.
3. Respect for Umpires and Officials - I will respect the authority of all umpires, including junior umpires, and game officials and will not engage in any negative behavior towards them. I will avoid arguing with or criticizing officials during or after games and will encourage my child to do the same. I will acknowledge that officials may make mistakes, but I will always support their role in maintaining fairness and integrity in the game.
4. Good Sportsmanship and Respect for Others - I will model good sportsmanship by showing respect for opposing teams, coaches, parents, and officials at all times. I will refrain from using inappropriate language, gestures, or behavior at games, practices, or league events. I will promote a positive environment, where everyone feels respected, valued, and included.
5. Support for the League and its Policies - I will support the Little League organization's mission, values, and policies, including those related to safety, inclusivity, and sportsmanship. I will help maintain the integrity of the league by adhering to all league rules, policies, and expectations for behavior. I will respect all decisions made by league officials and understand that they are made in the best interest of the players and the community.

6. Encouragement of Teamwork and Fair Play - I will encourage teamwork and fair play and will not place undue pressure on any child to perform or succeed. I will refrain from coaching my child or others from the stands during games and will allow coaches to guide player development. I will foster an environment where players can build confidence, learn, and grow both as athletes and individuals.
7. Commitment to Safety - I will ensure that my child arrives on time for practices, games, and team events, with appropriate clothing and equipment for safety. I will encourage my child to always wear the required protective gear, such as a helmet and gloves, during games and practices. I will support efforts to maintain a safe environment for players, coaches, and families, following all safety protocols as outlined by the league.
8. Focus on Fun and Positivity - I will remind my child that Little League is an opportunity to have fun, build friendships, and enjoy the sport of baseball. I will celebrate my child's efforts, progress, and enjoyment of the game, regardless of the score or outcome of the game. I will support my child's team, encouraging positive interactions among players, parents, and coaches.
9. Consequences for Misconduct - I understand that failing to adhere to this Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action, including warnings, suspension, or removal from games, practices, or the league, depending on the severity of the misconduct. I understand that my behavior can impact my child's experience, and I commit to resolving conflicts or concerns in a constructive and respectful manner.

I acknowledge that I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the above Code of Conduct. I recognize the importance of my role in creating a positive and enjoyable experience for my child, their teammates, and the entire Little League community.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Player's Name: _____