



# BGFC Coach Code of Conduct

- 1.) Punctuality
  - a. I will lead by example and be punctual to all team practices, games, team events, etc.
- 2.) Priorities
  - a. As a coach my job is to:
    - i. Teach
    - ii. Mentor
    - iii. Motivate
    - iv. Be a positive role model
    - v. Always preach the importance of positivity, attitude, & effort
- 3.) Parent Coach
  - a. Having a player on this team presents its challenges. As a coach I always must ask myself if the decisions being made are in the best interest of the team. If I question whether this is the case with me or another coach, it is my job to bring this up to the coaching staff for discussion.
- 4.) Communication
  - a. It is my job as a coach on this staff to be a communicator. Whether it surrounds players, coaches, or parents, communication is vital and will ensure there are no misunderstandings.
- 5.) Respect
  - a. I will treat all players and opposing coaches with respect, always being positive and constructive. I will not use abusive language or actions and will always control my anger. I will insist that all parents, coaches, players and fans associated with my team follow my example.
  - b. I will always treat the parents that are a part of this team with respect and all dealings with parent(s) will be done in a mature and understanding fashion.
  - c. I will always reinforce the importance of positivity and our "Team First" mentality.
  - d. I will treat all umpires with respect, recognizing that they are volunteers or young adults, and that baseball rules involve judgment. If I have complaints, I will use the appropriate methods of appeal during the game and avoid confrontational behavior on the field. After the game I may choose to go through the proper channels for resolution.
  - e. I will promote sportsmanlike conduct, shaking hands with the opposing coach after each game, encouraging my team members to cheer positively, and shake hands with the other team in a sportsmanlike manner after the game. I will not tolerate negative cheering, trash-talking, or displays of anger or disrespect by my team.
  - f. I will be drug and alcohol free while at any of my team's games and/or practices. I will not use any tobacco products in the dugout or on the playing field.

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Signed

