



Parent Code of Conduct Policy

Effective Date: February 28, 2023

Parents are an integral part in ensuring the success and enjoyment of the sport of baseball for all those involved; players, coaches, managers, officials, and themselves. As a direct influence on the children playing the game, proper parental behavior is of the utmost importance to support all those involved and prove to be a positive role model. As a Parent involved in the Grande Cache Minor Baseball Association, I agree to the following guidelines:

1. I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
2. I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
3. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or other sporting event.
4. I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting; or using profane language or gestures.
5. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and wellbeing of the athletes.
6. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
7. I will require my child to treat other players, coaches, officials, and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
8. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.
9. I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner every time.
10. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake.
11. I will respect the position of the officials and coaches before, during and after the games. If I have any questions or concerns, I will follow the GCMBA Conflict Resolution Policy.
12. I will ensure a positive sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use around the ball diamond.
13. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.

Failure to abide by the policies and guidelines, may result in disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to the following:

- Verbal warning by official, head coach, director, and/or GCMBA
- Written warning.
- Parental game suspension with written documentation of incident kept on file by GCMBA.
- Parental season suspension