

## As a Parent of RDMBA, I agree to the following Code of Conduct:

- 1. I will be a positive role model for my child. I will encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, umpires and spectators at every game, practice or other team event. I will not use abusive language or actions and will control my anger at all times. I will never badger the other team or argue with their supporters.
- 2. I will not be a sideline coach or umpire. I will allow all coaching during the games to be done by the coaches and not by parents, guardians or guests in the stands. I realize that the umpire is the closest to the play and that each umpire calls them as they see them.
- 3. I will remember that every player on the team is a contributing player. I will spread my encouragement equitably amongst the team. I will recognize initiative and hustle, always congratulate the winner and encourage the loser. I will never berate a player, coach, manager, or other parent on social media or otherwise.
- 4. 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. I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child, feel like a winner, every time.
- 5. I will have tactful, quiet, one-on-one discussions of any concerns with the team liaison/manager/coaches. I will not argue with the coach in public, as this is detrimental to getting a successful resolution. I will respect the 24-hour rule prior to approaching the liaison/coach/manager. I will remember that only nine players can play at one time, and that every player will spend time on the bench.
- 6. I will support the team and RDMBA by volunteering my time. I will remember that everyone associated with RDMBA, whether a board member, coach, or manager is a volunteer.
- 7. I will be on time to all events. I will try to arrange for alternate transportation, if my child can't get to a practice/game on time, so that they can have the necessary warm up. I will notify the coaches of any absences as soon as I become aware of them.
- 8. I will emphasize to my child that good athletes strive to be good students and that both are physically and mentally alert.

- 9. I will remember that the game is for the players.
- 10. I will respect RDMBA's policies and board members.

I acknowledge I have read and will comply with the RDMBA Code of Conduct for Parents or I may be subject to disciplinary action by RDMBA.