



Muskego Athletic Association, Inc.

Providing recreational baseball and softball programs for the youth of Muskego since 1945

Player & Parent Code of Conduct

Preamble

The essential elements of character building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core principles: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and good citizenship. The highest potential of sports is achieved when competition reflects these "six pillars of character."

We therefore agree:

1. I will not force my child to participate in sports.
2. I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
3. I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
4. We will accept and understand the seriousness of our responsibility to learn, understand and follow the rules of the game and the policies of the league; and the privilege of representing my team and my community.
All policies, general rules and league specific rules are available on MAA website.
www.TheMAA.org under the Rec Baseball/Softball Area
5. 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.
6. We (and our guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct, such as booing, taunting, trash talking or making any kind of derogatory remarks to our opponents, teammates, coaches, game officials or spectators before, during or after the game, especially comments of an ethnic or racial nature. We will refrain from intimidating behavior and drawing attention to ourselves.
7. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and wellbeing of the athletes, coaches, officials or spectators.
8. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
9. I will treat and demand my child treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
10. We will refrain from taunting, trash talking or making any kind of derogatory remarks to our opponents, teammates, coaches, game officials or spectators before, during or after the game, especially comments of an ethnic or racial nature. We will refrain from intimidating behavior and drawing attention to myself or ourselves.
11. I will teach my child that doing one's best, competing fairly and trying hard is more important than winning, so my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.
12. I will wish opponents good luck before the game and congratulate them in a sincere manner, shaking hands, as they would like to be greeted following either a victory or a defeat. I will win with humility and lose with grace. I will do both with dignity, and avoid excessive celebrating after a play or game.
13. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participant for making a mistake or losing a game.
14. I will emphasize skill development and the importance of practices and how they benefit my child over winning.



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15. I will promote the emotional and physical well being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
16. We will respect the authority, integrity and judgment of game officials at all times, even if we disagree with their judgment. This will serve to make a positive impression of myself (parent, player and team) in the eyes of the officials and all people at the game.
17. We will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.
18. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all sports events.
19. 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.

I also agree that if I fail to abide by the aforementioned rules and guidelines, I will be subject to disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to the following:

Verbal warning by league commissioner, MAA board member, game official or head coach.

Parent: A second warning will result in ejection. Failure to leave may result in game forfeiture. Additional incidents by additional participants will result in game forfeiture.

Player: A second warning may result in removal from the game for the remainder of the inning or longer as deemed appropriate. Incidents of a severe nature or repeated incidents may result in ejection from the game. All disciplinary actions will be reviewed by the league commissioner and/or the MAA board as needed.

Any ejection will be followed by a written warning from league commissioner or official.

All written documentation of incident kept on file by the league and MAA board

Potential season suspension

Written warning(s) will result in continued suspension until the incident(s) is/are reviewed by the MAA board and return approval is given.