

Parent's Code of Conduct

Baseball & Softball embodies the discipline of teamwork, involving players, coaches, parents, umpires, and league administrators. We all seek the best for our children and as adults must all work together toward a common goal of creating a healthy and safe environment in which our children can flourish- not just as players, but also as future adults and productive citizens. As adults, we must be expected to model the behaviors that we wish to instill in our children. MBSA realizes that most of our league members consistently exhibit excellent behavior and good sportsmanship. Our intent with this document is to establish that same level of excellence as a model for all league participants to follow. Thank you,
On behalf of the MBSA Board of Directors

As a Parent in the Murfreesboro Baseball & Softball Association, I agree to adhere to the following Code of Conduct:

- I will refrain from harassing or threatening umpires at all times. While many feel this to be "part of the game", it has no place in youth baseball. Many of our umpires are volunteers who have selflessly committed their time and energy to help us provide a quality youth baseball program. Many are also young men and women who are at the early stages of learning their craft. We are supportive of our players when they make mistakes and umpires deserve the same respect and consideration. You will never, ever agree with every call they make, but you must respect the umpire's obligation and authority to make those tough calls without fear of retribution.
- I will respect the coaches, players, and spectators of the opposing team before, during and after the game win or lose. Our role as responsible adults is to teach each player, especially through personal example, to be humble and gracious in victory, proud and courteous in defeat. If a player on the opposing team makes a great play, applaud!
- I will help to ensure a litter-free environment. When trash is carelessly left around dugouts, bleachers, and spectator areas, it degrades the enjoyment of the game of baseball for everyone. League volunteers are not trash collectors. Everyone in the Murfreesboro Baseball Association should take pride in the sport we play and the beautiful park facilities at which we play. If you see some trash that someone else has left behind, please consider picking it up. You will make everyone's day a little brighter, set a great example for your child who will be watching, and taking care of our environment. Plus, you will feel better knowing that you helped us provide a quality program for all to enjoy.
- I will help ensure a tobacco-free & alcohol-free environment and follow Barfield Park rules. Barfield Park rules PROHIBIT the use of tobacco & alcohol within the baseball complex. This includes smokeless tobacco and smoking. You must go outside the gates of the complex to use any form of tobacco. Barfield Park PROHIBITS the use of skateboards, rollerblades, scooters, bikes, etc. inside the park.

These rules are the Murfreesboro Park and Recreation Rules and are posted at each entrance.