



North Aurora Baseball Association

Code of Conduct

For Players, Parents, Officials, Managers, Coaches, and Spectators

All participants in NABA events shall support the following ideals:

- Recognize that sports can and should be a setting in which personal character including: integrity, respect, responsibility, and fairness are built.
- Be concerned with the overall development of the players, including their character, sportsmanship, as well as athletic skills.
- Show respect for the fundamental rights, dignity, and worth of players and their families, coaches, officials, volunteers, administrators, and spectators.
- Avoid conduct that is personally demeaning to players, their families, coaches, officials, volunteers, administrators, and spectators.
- Encourage respect for the judgment of officials and league coaches.
- Never verbally or physically abuse a player, parent, coach, spectator, or official.
- Display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.
- Give the highest degree of attention to the player's physical and mental well being; be reasonable in demands on player's time, energy, enthusiasm, and performance on the field.
- Refrain from using non-prescription drugs, tobacco, and alcohol at all NABA events.

In addition, League Managers and Coaches will:

- Conduct their program in a manner that places major emphasis on building character, sound health, and broad educational aims rather than developing a program merely built for winning.
- Not engage in, encourage, or ever tolerate any form of trickery or evasion of rules in order to gain an advantage over an opponent.
- Promote integrity in coaching by being honest, fair, and respectful of others.
- Ensure that any public comments are made judiciously, reflective of the facts, supportable, and sensitive to the situation(s).
- Establish appropriate process for providing feedback to players, their parents, officials, and spectators.
- Not use or allow the use of profanity, obscene language, or offensive gestures before, during, or after a game.
- Help all players gain confidence and develop self-esteem.
- Give all players the opportunity to improve their skills.
- Encourage all players to be team players.
- Refrain from arguments in front of players and spectators.
- Demand and enforce that players and spectators respect the opponent and the officials.
- Develop an up-to-date knowledge of the rules, techniques, strategies, safety precautions, and skills of the sport and communicate them to the players and their parents.
- Lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship.

I hereby agree that if I fail to conform my conduct to the foregoing while attending, coaching, officiating, or participating in a NABA event, I will be subject to disciplinary action, including, but not limited to the following in any order or combination:

- Written/verbal warning
- In-game dismissal
- Game(s) suspension
- Ejection from NABA events

Players, parents, coaches, officials, and board members have a responsibility to assist the league in the enforcement of the Code of Conduct by informing the President, Vice President, or Division Representatives in signed writing of any questionable conduct within 48 hours of the incident. The report will be reviewed, investigated and, acted upon appropriately by the Protest Committee within 48 hours of receipt of the report. A written response to the report will be available to all participants in the report in a timely fashion and filed with the League Secretary.



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Dated _____