King Philip Little League

CODE OF CONDUCT

Foreword

In order to advance the principals of sportsmanship and fair play and to promote mutual respect among players, coaches, umpires and spectators the King Philip Little League (KPLL) has established this "Code of Conduct" (hereafter referred to as "the Code").

The Code of Conduct shall govern the actions of players, coaches and spectators. The Code is intended to provide behavioral guidance and establish clear expectations for all involved. The Code was not conceived to address every possible behavioral circumstance; however, it shall serve as the Organization's standard for behavioral evaluation.

It shall be the obligation of ALL program participants, spectators and volunteers, to comply with the terms and provisions of the Code of Conduct. Any person violating the Code shall be subject to administrative action, up to and including termination of his/her privilege to participate in, or attend, any or all KPLL sponsored activities.

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Coaches

Coaches shall remain unconditionally supportive of the Organization's commitment to the ideals of good sportsmanship, team play, honesty, loyalty, courage and respect for authority. Likewise, coaches shall remain sensitive to the physical and emotional well being of the players on his/her team. In order to adhere to these doctrines the coaches agree as follows:

- Coaches will be positive role models.
- Coaches will display and instill in their players the principals of good sportsmanship and team play.
- Coaches will conduct themselves in a manner that best serves the interests of the players.
- Coaches will do their best to provide the players a positive experience.
- Coaches will ensure that winning and/or losing teams do so in a manner, which exhibits respect and good sportsmanship.
- Coaches will treat all players, parents, spectators, opposing coaches and league officials with respect.
- Coaches will provide instruction in a manner that is constructive and supportive.
- Coaches will not ridicule or demean players, other coaches or umpires.
- Coaches will not tolerate behavior that endangers the health or well-being of a child.
- Coaches will comply with the decisions of league officials and observe all rules, policy and procedure as established or endorsed by the KPLL.
- Coaches will teach the game of baseball to the best of their ability.

- Coaches will be drug and alcohol free while at any KPLL athletic event.
- Coaches will not use any tobacco products in the dugout or on the playing field.
- Coaches acknowledge the need to demonstrate fundamental proficiencies with respect to the game of baseball and first aid. Consequently, all coaches agree to attend, any skill sessions that may be required by the Board of Directors and moreover, any first aid courses that may be mandated by the Board.

Parents and Spectators

The Parent and Spectator shall support the players, coaches, umpires and league officials. Parents and Spectators shall not "coach" or "officiate". Parents and Spectators agree as follows:

- Parents and Spectators will be positive role models.
- Parents and Spectators will display and instill in all players, the principals of good sportsmanship and team play.
- Parents and Spectators will conduct themselves in a manner that best serves the interests of the players.
- Parents and Spectators will do their best to provide the players a positive experience.
- Parents will make certain that their children show respect for all other players, coaches, officials and spectators.
- Parents and Spectators will not ridicule or demean players, coaches or umpires.
- Parents will inform the coach of any disability or ailment that may affect the safety of their child.
- Parents and Spectators will treat all players, coaches and umpires fairly and with respect.
- Parents and Spectators will comply with the decisions of league officials and observe all rules, policy and procedure as established or endorsed by the KPLL league.
- Parents and Spectators will not question an umpire's call.
- Parents and Spectators will respect the opponent and avoid any confrontation with opposing players, spectators, or coaches.
- Parents and Spectators will be drug and alcohol free while at any KPLL athletic event.

Players

Players shall…

- Display good sportsmanship and team play at all times.
- Follow the direction of the Coaching Staff.
- Respect all, coaches, players, league officials, umpires and spectators.
- Make every attempt to be on time and ready to play for all games and practices.

Players shall ***not***…

- Use abusive or profane language.
- Taunt or humiliate any other player.
- Question an umpire's call.
- Abuse, mistreat or mishandle any KPLL league equipment or property (*e.g.*, throwing batting helmets)

We the undersigned have read the attached KPLL code of conduct, and agree to abide by its provisions:

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian:

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Player:

Name: _____

Signature: _____