CAROLINA LOCOS PARENT & SPECTATOR

CODE OF CONDUCT

We understand that travel baseball can get competitive and heated at times, but we also need to understand that these are kids, and as adults, we need to be setting a positive example for these players. Below is our Parent & Spectator Code Of Conduct that we ask all parents and guests to follow.

1. SIDELINE BEHAVIOR

- **Model Good Sportsmanship:** Display good sportsmanship by respecting opponents, officials, and all participants. Cheer for all players in a positive manner and congratulate the other team on their performance. Avoid coaching from the sidelines and let the coaches do their jobs.
- **No Tolerance for Unsportsmanlike Conduct:** Refrain from unsportsmanlike behaviors such as yelling at officials, using inappropriate language, or arguing calls. Do not speak negatively about any players, coaches or officials.

2. PLAYER SUPPORT

- **Keep the Game Fun:** Help create an environment where players enjoy competing, learning, and developing their skills.
- **Encourage Effort:** Celebrate hard work, a positive attitude, and improvement over scores, playing time, or statistics.

3. INTERACTIONS WITH COACHES

- **Respect the Coaches' Decisions:** Trust the coaches' decisions regarding playing time, positioning, and strategy. If you have concerns, discuss them privately at an appropriate time (at least 24 hours after a game/tournament).
- **Constructive Feedback:** If you have feedback for the coach, provide it constructively and respectfully.

4. RESPECT FOR UMPIRES

- **Respect the Umpires' Authority:** Accept the decisions of umpires without dispute. Understand that they are an essential part of the game and they are human. They will make mistakes.
- **No Harassment:** Do not harass or berate umpires before, during, or after games.

5. ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

- **Timely Attendance:** Ensure your child attends all practices and games on time. Inform the coach in advance if your child will be absent or late.

6. HEALTH AND SAFETY

- **Promote Healthy Habits**: Encourage your child to maintain a healthy lifestyle, including proper nutrition, hydration, and rest before games/practices. Also, ensure proper protection from the sun.
- **Follow Safety Guidelines**: Ensure your child follows all safety guidelines and wears the appropriate protective equipment during practices and games.
- **Speak Up!:** If you notice any safety hazards or medical issues with players, please notify an official or coach immediately.

7. RESPECT FOR FACILITIES

- **Respect the Facilities:** Treat all facilities with respect. Clean up after yourselves and dispose of trash properly.
- **Report Damage:** Report any damage to facilities or equipment to the appropriate authorities.

8. CONFLICT RESOLUTION

- **Calm Resolution:** Address conflicts calmly and respectfully. Avoid confrontations at games or practices.
- **Seek Mediation:** If necessary, seek mediation through appropriate channels, such as team officials or tournament representatives.

We've been lucky to have great families within our organization and often receive praise from umpires and opponents for the way our fans handle themselves. Please continue to be positive role models for these players!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION