

# **BLAWNOX COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION** **PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY 2017**



## **Blawnox Community Association** **2017 Board Members:**

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It is the intention of this compact to promote Fair Play and Respect for all Participants within Blawnox Baseball/Softball. It is expected that all parents/caregivers of Blawnox Baseball/Softball participants read and understand the Parent Code of Conduct and continue to observe and follow all the principles contained within the Code throughout the year.

- a. I will not force my child to participate baseball/softball. I will try to make it FUN!
- b. I will encourage my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflict without resorting to hostility or violence.
- c. I will teach my child that doing one's best is as important as winning so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of the game. I will make my child feel like a winner every time by offering praise for competing fairly and hard.
- d. I will never ridicule or yell at my child for making a mistake or losing a game.
- e. I will remember that children learn by example. I will applaud good plays by both my child's team and their opponents. I will not be critical of, or embarrass any player, including opposition players.
- f. I will never question the official's judgment or honesty in public. I recognize that officials are being developed in the same manner as players.
- g. I will respect and show appreciation for the volunteers who give their time to baseball/softball for my child.
- h. I will never yell, taunt, threaten or inflict physical violence upon any player, coach, official or spectator at any youth baseball/softball activity. I will refrain from the use of abusive or vulgar language, racial, ethnic or gender-related slurs at any time during any youth baseball/softball function. I will support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from youth baseball/softball games.
- i. I will leave the coaching to the coaching staff. I will encourage my child to play in a manner consistent with the team's strategy or plans.
- j. I will emphasize skill development and a serious approach to practices and explain how skill development will benefit my child.
- k. I will attempt to learn about the game of baseball/softball so that I may best support my child's development in the game.
- l. I will communicate all and any concerns regarding inappropriate behavior to the Board of Directors, Coach, or Assistant Coach.
- m. I will insist that my child plays in a safe and healthy environment. I will support a sports environment that is free of alcohol, drugs or tobacco and I will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- n. I understand the benefits from participating in a team sport, the commitment, the discipline and the social skills learned and acquired.
- o. I will remember that my child plays baseball/softball for his or her enjoyment, not mine.

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**MARKETING/SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY STATEMENT**

BCA maintains both a social media and website presence in which team schedules, photos and league information are posted on a regular basis. The BCA website, [www.blawnoxbaseball.org](http://www.blawnoxbaseball.org), is operated by Board Officer Administrators only. The BCA Facebook page is operated by BCA Administrators, but group members are able to post photos and statuses at their discretion, which include photos taken at games and practices, as well as community information.

**PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

I have read and understand the above Code of Conduct, and agree to abide by its guidelines at all team and league activities. I understand that if I do not follow this Code of Conduct, I may be asked to leave the league activity (such as a game or practice).

PRINT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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**PARENT / GUARDIAN SIGNATURES:**

PARENT \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLAYER NAME(S):**

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**\*\*THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED WITH REGISTRATION FORM\*\***