

Parent & Spectator Code of Conduct

Lady Lake Youth Baseball & Youth Softball Inc.

Our Commitment

Lady Lake Youth Baseball & Youth Softball Inc. believes youth sports are about far more than wins and losses. Every practice and game is an opportunity to teach teamwork, character, leadership, resilience, and respect.

Parents, guardians, family members, and spectators play a vital role in creating a positive experience for every child. By registering a player and attending League activities, you agree to uphold the following standards.

I WILL:

Put Children First

- Remember that every player is someone's child.
 - Encourage all players—not just my own.
 - Celebrate effort, improvement, teamwork, and sportsmanship.
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Demonstrate Good Sportsmanship

- Cheer positively.
 - Respect opponents.
 - Applaud outstanding plays by either team.
 - Model respectful behavior at all times.
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Respect Coaches

- Allow coaches to coach.
 - Support team decisions.
 - Address concerns privately and respectfully.
 - Recognize that coaches are volunteers donating their time.
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Respect Umpires

- Treat officials with courtesy and respect.

- Accept judgment calls without confrontation.
- Understand that mistakes are part of every game.

Abuse of officials will not be tolerated.

Support the League

- Volunteer when able.
 - Help maintain clean facilities.
 - Follow League policies.
 - Encourage a welcoming environment for new families.
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Communicate Respectfully

If I have concerns, I will address them through the League's communication process:

1. Coach
2. Division Vice President
3. League President
4. Board of Directors

I will not use social media to criticize players, coaches, officials, volunteers, or the League.

Promote Safety

I will:

- Keep children supervised.
 - Stay in designated spectator areas.
 - Follow weather delays and emergency instructions.
 - Help maintain a safe environment.
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I WILL NOT:

- Yell at players.
- Coach from the stands.
- Use profanity or abusive language.
- Argue with umpires.
- Confront coaches during or immediately after games.
- Bully, threaten, or intimidate anyone.
- Consume or be under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs at League activities.
- Use tobacco or vaping products in prohibited areas.

- Engage in fighting or aggressive behavior.
 - Damage League property.
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The 24-Hour Rule

If I have concerns regarding playing time, coaching decisions, or other game-related matters, I agree to wait at least **24 hours** after the conclusion of the game before requesting a meeting with a coach or League official.

This allows emotions to settle and encourages productive, respectful conversations.

Zero Tolerance

The following behaviors may result in immediate removal from League property and additional disciplinary action:

- Physical violence
- Threats of violence
- Harassment
- Discrimination
- Racist, sexist, or hateful language
- Intimidation
- Abuse of officials
- Abuse of volunteers
- Abuse of players
- Possession or use of illegal drugs
- Possession or use of weapons prohibited by law or League policy

The Board of Directors may suspend or prohibit individuals from attending future League activities when necessary to protect participants and preserve a positive environment.

Positive Sideline Expectations

Parents and spectators are encouraged to:

- Cheer loudly.
- Celebrate hustle.
- Applaud teamwork.
- Encourage resilience after mistakes.
- Thank coaches.
- Thank umpires.

- Congratulate opponents.
- Leave every child feeling supported.

Children remember how adults made them feel long after they forget the score.

Our Promise

Together, we will create an environment where:

- Every child feels safe.
 - Every child feels valued.
 - Every child has fun.
 - Every child learns.
 - Every family feels welcome.
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Parent/Guardian Acknowledgment

By completing my child's registration, I acknowledge that I have read and understand the Lady Lake Youth Baseball & Youth Softball Inc. Parent & Spectator Code of Conduct.

I agree to follow these expectations and understand that violations may result in verbal warnings, removal from League property, suspension from League activities, or other disciplinary action deemed appropriate by the League's Board of Directors.

Required Acknowledgment

☐ I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the Parent & Spectator Code of Conduct.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Date: ____