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## BASEBALL

## As a WCLL Parent or Guardian, I will:

- 1. Learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league and teach my child to play by the rules.
- 2. Remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
- **3. Foster a positive and supportive environment** by exhibiting behavior that is respectful of all players, coaches, umpires, and other spectators.
- 4. Inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
- 5. Not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well-being of the athletes.
- **6. Practice good sportsmanship and always demonstrate respect** to my child, my child's coaches, teammates, and their parents, opposing coaches, opponents and parents, spectators and officials.
- 7. Never openly express criticism for any coach, player, opposing team or umpire.
- 8. Never use profanity, foul, derogatory or abusive language.

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- 9. NEVER ADDRESS THE OFFICIALS under any circumstances.
- **10.** Accept the decisions of umpires without gesture or argument.
- **11. Limit my sideline involvement** to positive statements that encourage fair play and sportsmanship without providing specific instructions to players during game play.
- **12. Encourage my children** to ask their coaches any questions they have.
- **13. NOT** discuss another child with the coach; such questions must be directed to that child's parent or guardian.
- **14.** Follow the instructions of the coach and/or official during the game, including leaving the area if asked by the coach, official or commissioner if he/she feels my behavior or actions so warrant it.
- 15. Notify my child's coaches of any planned absences from practice or games.
- 16. Never attend a practice, game, or other related activity under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- **17.** Not contact a coach (verbal, written, e-mail) about the specifics of a game until 24 hours have passed from the end of game.
- 18. Educate my guests on these guidelines and be responsible for their actions and behavior.

I understand that coaches or board members may remove any coach, player, parent, or spectator from the playing in for failure to adhere to the above-established guidelines. I also understand that violations of any of the items above could result in disciplinary action up to and including being banned from any WCLL activities at the discretion of the WCLL Board.

As a parent or guardian of a child in Warren County Little League, I agree to live by the concept of sportsmanship and core principles as described above. I also will help my child understand and live by these principles.

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