



Hinton Minor Baseball Association Parent Code of Conduct

As a parent/guardian with a player within HMBA, please read and agree to the following:

1. I will be a positive role model for my child, I will encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy through demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, umpires and spectators at every game, practice or team event. I will not use abusive language or actions and will control my anger at all times. I will never badger the other team or argue with their supporters.
2. I will not be a sideline coach or umpire. I will allow all coaching during the games to be done by the coaches and not by parents, guardians or guests in the stands or behind the backstop. I realize that the umpire is the closest to the play and that each umpire calls the game to the best of their ability and how they see they play
3. I will remember that every player on the team is a contributing player. I will spread my encouragement equitably amongst the team. I will recognize initiative and hustle, always congratulate the winners and encourage the losers
4. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance. I will praise my child for competing fairly, trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner every time.
5. I will have tactful, quiet, one-on-one discussions of any concerns with the team manager/coaches. I will not argue with the coach in public, as this is detrimental to getting a successful resolution. I will adhere to the HMBA 24-hour policy when scheduling a discussion with a manager/coach to allow a cool down period. I will remember that only nine players can be on the field at one time.
6. I will support the team and HMBA by volunteering when time allows. I will remember that everyone associated with HMBA, whether a coach or a board member, is a volunteer.
7. I will have my player on time to events, I will arrange for alternate transportation for my player if required and notify the coach of any changes or absences
8. I will emphasize to my child that good athletes strive to be good students and are both physically and mentally alert
9. I will remember that by registering a player in HMBA that I have an obligation to ensure myself and my player abide by all HMBA rules, regulations and policies
10. I will remember that the game is for the players and align with HMBA to ensure the two key factors of having fun and player development.

