



# softball

## Coach's Code of Ethics

I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care and encouragement for my team participating in youth sports by following this COACHES CODE of ETHICS PLEDGE. I further agree, acknowledge, and understand my position as a role model for participants on my team, as well as others, and accept this role along with all associated responsibilities.

1. I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, parents, coaches, spectators, and officials at every game and practice.
2. I will place the physical, mental, and emotional well-being of my players ahead of personal desire to win.
3. I will insist that my players participate in a safe, healthy, and fun-filled environment, fully supervised and structured at all times.
4. I will support officials and league administrators in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all and communicate requested information to parents.
5. I will encourage a sports environment for my players that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
6. I will remember, and remind parents, that the game is for the youth, not for the adults.
7. I will do my very best to make youth sports fun for my players and parents.
8. I will ask my players to treat other players, coaches, fans, and officials with respect, regardless of any other factors.
9. I will take every opportunity to teach, train, and develop my players as it relates to baseball, softball, sportsmanship, and team work.
10. I will never take the fun out of the game by over emphasizing winning.
11. I will always use positive reinforcement to motivate my players and will never attempt to do so by use of intimidation; physically or verbally.
12. I will reinforce that school studies and activities should be the youth's first priority.
13. I will work with youth participating in school sports for them to have the same opportunity for participation in the Cornelius Lake Norman Youth Athletic Association.

I acknowledge that my failure to abide by this Code of Ethics will result in my removal as a coach for Cornelius Lake Norman Youth Athletic Association.

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Coach Signature

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Date