

Mansfield Girls Softball Association

Code of Conduct

Youth sports programs play an important role in promoting the physical, social, and emotional development of children. Therefore, it is essential for parents, coaches, spectators, and officials to encourage youth athletes to embrace the values of good sportsmanship. Furthermore, parents, coaches, spectators, and officials involved in youth sports events should be models of good sportsmanship and should lead by example by demonstrating fairness, respect, and self-control.

The Mansfield Girls Softball Association asks that you pledge to be responsible for your words and actions while attending, coaching, officiating, or participating in all Mansfield Girls Softball events and that you conform your behavior to the following code of conduct:

1. I will not engage in unsportsmanlike conduct with any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
2. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to engage in unsportsmanlike conduct with any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
3. I will not engage in any behavior which would endanger the health, safety, or well-being of any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
4. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to engage in any behavior which would endanger the health, safety, or well-being of any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
5. I will not use drugs, alcohol, or tobacco products while at a Mansfield Girls Softball event and will not attend, coach, officiate, or participate in a Mansfield Girls Softball event while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
6. I will not permit my child, or encourage any other person, to use drugs, alcohol or tobacco products at a youth sports event and will not permit my child, or encourage any other person, to attend, coach, officiate, or participate in a Mansfield Girls Softball event while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
7. I will not engage in the use of profanity or any other offensive language.
8. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to engage in the use of profanity or any other offensive language.
9. I will, and will encourage my child to, treat any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee with respect.
10. I will not engage in verbal or physical threats or abuse aimed at any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
11. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to engage in verbal or physical threats or abuse aimed at any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
12. I will not initiate a fight or scuffle, or retaliate, with any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
13. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to initiate a fight or scuffle, or retaliate, with any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.

Anyone who fails to conform to the preceding code of conduct while attending, coaching, officiating, or participating in a youth sports event will be subject to disciplinary action, including but not limited to the following in any order or combination:

1. Verbal warning issued by the Board of Directors.
2. Written warning issued by the Board of Directors
3. Immediate ejection from a Mansfield Girls Softball event issued by the attending umpire.
4. Single or multiple game suspension issued by the Board of Directors.
5. Season suspension or permanent dismissal from the league issued by the Board of Directors.

(Based on State of New Jersey, Model Athletic Code of Conduct.)