

Homewood Baseball and Softball Code of Conduct for Coaches, Parents and Players

Coaches	Parents	Players
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Winning is important, but not more important than teaching player sportsmanship and fundamentals. Enjoying the game and having fun are the most important goals. • Emphasize Teamwork. Every player has a contribution to make. It is the coach's responsibility to form a cohesive unit that plays well together. If there are any personality conflicts, the coach must help players overcome those differences for the sake of the team. • Impress on your players that they must abide by the rules of the game at all times. Know the rules. • Develop your player's sense of fair play and sportsmanship. Encourage players to applaud good plays by members of the opposing team by doing so yourself. • Encourage your team to cheer for their players, not against the other team. • Refrain from posting any negative commentary, defamatory or harassing remarks or images on any social media. • Coaches should refrain from profane language or gestures when in the presence of any player. • Coaches should refrain from smoking or drinking alcohol or using illegal substances before and during practices and games. • Be aware of your player's abilities. Do not place players into potentially harmful situations. • Do not criticize the opposition's coaches or players in front of your team. If you have a problem with a player on an opposing team, address that problem with the manager not the player. • Know the rules. If a situation arises where you wish to contest the umpire's decision, do so in a calm and respectful manner by requesting timeout and approaching the umpire at home plate. Umpire and/or commissioner decisions are final. No protests are allowed. Coaches should refrain from any foul or abusive language towards officials. • Coaches are prohibited from striking or using any bodily assault against officials, other coaches, players or spectators. • Assist officials in keeping your team parents and fans under control. Only one member of each team should be addressing the umpire. • Umpires, commissioners and league officials reserve the right to remove managers, coaches or spectators from the field for inappropriate actions of any kind. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support to all players, coaches, and officials at every game, practice, or other youth sporting event • Always support coaches and officials working with your child in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience • Refrain from posting any negative commentary, defamatory or harassing remarks or images on any social media. Please remember to be respectful when posting anything on social media • Never interfere with the conduct of the game or practice • Refrain from the use of alcohol, tobacco, and other illegal substances • Do not use foul or abusive language/gestures towards any coach, umpire, official, player, or spectator • Foul or abusive language/gestures or negative comments of any kind towards coaches, umpires, officials, players or spectators will not be tolerated. Only coaches may address umpires directly. • Remember the games are for the youth – not for the adults • Never threaten a coach, official, player, or spectator • Never strike a coach, official, player, or spectator • Always do your best to make sure youth sports are played in a safe, healthy, and fun environment • Always promote that your child treat other players, coaches, fans, and officials with respect regardless of the race, sex, creed, or ability 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abide by the rules of the game at all times • Treat your teammates and opponents with respect regardless of their race, sex, creed or ability • Respect coaches, officials, parents and spectators • Do not use foul or abusive language/gestures towards any player, coach, official or spectator • Refrain from use of alcohol, tobacco and illegal substances • Always treat the facilities and equipment with respect wherever you may play • Cheer your teammates on and never lay blame on another teammate either publicly or in private • Never argue or question an official or coach • Never threaten a coach, official, player or spectator • Never strike a coach, official, player or spectator • Always conduct yourself in a courteous and respectful manner • Refrain from posting any negative commentary, defamatory or harassing remarks or images on social media. Be respectful and thoughtful when posting anything on social media.

Homewood Baseball and Softball Code of Sanctions for Coaches, Parents and Players

Coaches			Parents			Players		
Infraction	Directed towards	Consequence	Infraction	Directed towards	Consequence	Infraction	Directed towards	Consequence
Use of alcohol or illegal substances	Within the park during a game, practice, or other league or team event where players are present	Warning and or ejection from the park	Use of alcohol or illegal substances	Within the park during a game, practice, or other league or team event where players are present	Warning and or ejection from the park	Foul or abusive language	A player, coach, spectator, umpire or official	Ejection from the game and a one game suspension
Foul or abusive language	A player, coach, spectator, umpire or official	Ejection from the game and a one game suspension	Interference with the conduct of the game or practice	Resulting in the stoppage of play	Warning	Serious foul play	Another player (no injury)	Ejection from game
Threatening gesture and/or language	A player, coach, spectator, umpire or official	Ejection from the game and a two game suspension	2nd interference with the conduct of the game	Resulting in the stoppage of play	Ejection from the field or park	Serious foul play	Another player resulting in injury	Ejection from game and two game suspension
Allowing or encouraging foul abusive or threatening language or behavior by players	A player, coach, spectator, umpire or official	Ejection from the game and a two game suspension	Foul or abusive language	A player, coach, spectator, umpire or official	Ejection from the game and a one game suspension	Threatening gesture and/or language	A player, coach, spectator, umpire or official	Ejection from the game and a two game suspension
Striking or bodily assault	A player, coach, spectator, umpire or official	Ejection from the game and up to a lifetime suspension from all HBS activities	Threatening gesture and/or language	A player, coach, spectator, umpire or official	Ejection from the game and a two game suspension	2nd occurrence of above infractions	A player, coach, spectator, umpire or official	Suspension for balance of season. Reinstatement at board discretion
Posting negative, defamatory or harassing remarks on social media	The players, coaches, volunteers or the league	Board discretion but up to one year family suspension	Striking or bodily assault	A player, coach, spectator, umpire or official	Ejection from the game and up to a lifetime suspension from all HBS activities	Striking or bodily assault	A player, coach, spectator, umpire or official	Ejection from the game and up to a lifetime suspension from all HBS activities
			Posting negative, defamatory or harassing remarks on social media	The players, coaches, volunteers or the league	Board discretion but up to one year family suspension	Posting negative, defamatory or harassing remarks on social media	The players, coaches, volunteers or the league	Board discretion but up to one year family suspension