



# Hornets Baseball

*New England A.A.U*

## Parent/Guardian Code of Ethics Agreement

I/We hereby pledge to provide support, care and encouragement for my son participating in the Hornets Developmental Baseball Program by following this parents' code of ethics:

1. I will encourage sportsmanship by showing support for all players, coaches, and officials at every game, practice or other **Hornets Developmental Baseball Program** -sponsored event.
2. I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my son ahead of any personal desire to win. I will focus upon my son's efforts and performance rather than the overall outcome of the game. I will never ridicule or yell at my son or any other player for making a mistake.
3. I will set an example of sportsmanship for my son to follow. I will not, among other things, use profanity. I will not physically or verbally abuse any players, coaches, officials or spectators. I will participate in positive cheers and remarks that encourage all players. I will discourage any cheers or remarks that redirect that focus, including those that taunt and intimidate opposing players, their fans and officials.
4. I will help my son enjoy the experience of playing on a team by doing whatever I can, including being a respectful fan and providing whatever help is needed by the team and/or league according to my skills and availability.
5. I will endeavor to learn, understand and respect the rules of the game, the officials who administer them, and their decisions.
6. I will not be critical unless I am willing to put out the necessary effort to direct my comments and any perceived problems to the attention of my son's coach **IN PRIVATE**.
7. I will take my son to all practices and games on time and pick him up promptly afterward if I cannot stay. If I cannot provide transportation for my son, I will make the necessary arrangements to have my son at all practices and games. I will also notify my son's coaches and/or designated parent representative of any absences from practices or games at the time I become aware of them. I understand that if my son does not attend practice, his playing time may be effected.

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Player's name

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Parent's/Guardian's signature

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