WEST TEXAS FASTPITCH

TEXAS PANHANDLE YOUTH SPORTS FOUNDATION COACH CODE OF CONDUCT

- 1. I agree to represent WTF/TPYSF in an upstanding manner. If my actions violate the coach's code of conduct, I understand that I could be suspended or removed from coaching for WTF/TPYSF events. If an incident occurs, it will be reviewed by the disciplinary board. See the TPYSF Disciplinary Policies for more info.
- 2. I will focus on player development and teaching the love of the game. I will work with all kids on my roster and develop them in multiple positions. I will give constructive and positive feedback to help them grow and make the experience enjoyable for all players.
- 3. I will be fair, consistent, and a positive role model. I will be responsible, respectful, and honest. I will lead by example in setting high standards of character and integrity. I will demonstrate the work ethic, expectations, conduct, dedication, and commitment that I expect from my players.
- 4. I will be organized, prepared, and goal oriented. I understand the best practices are written, planned to the minute, and organized. If I want a kid/parent to be on time and not miss practice, I need to make my practice something worth being at! I will design my practice to where each kid is actively working and not just standing in lines or shagging. I will recruit assistant coaches to help and will do a lot of station work!
- 5. I agree to have open communication with parents. If a problem occurs, I will address the situation via email to the league as soon as it occurs. I understand that I can not remove a kid from my team before the season is over without good documentation and approval from the WTF/TPYSF league administrator.
- 6. I agree to treat umpires with respect. I understand that I can have a respectful conversation about the rules interpretation or clarity on a specific play, but I can not argue an umpire's judgment call (ball, strike, fair, foul, safe, out). I understand that umpires are human and will make mistakes. I understand that even though I might not agree, the umpire has the final ruling on the field. I understand that an umpire has the authority to eject coaches, players, and parents and end a game in a forfeit if they deem a situation is out of control.
- 7. I understand the WTF/TPYSF have a zero tolerance policy in place to protect everyone and provide quality softball in a well policed program. I understand that I am responsible for my coaches, parents, spectators, and players conduct. I will make sure they understand the WTF/TPYSF code of conduct.
- 8. I agree to encourage and demonstrate good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, and officials. I will exert self control over my emotions. I will avoid public displays of anger, rage, or frustration. At the end of the game, I will acknowledge the opponent with a handshake, fist bump, etc.
- 9. If I am ejected from a game, I will leave the complex immediately. If I'm the only person with my child, I will leave the area of the field. If problems continue, my child will be ejected and we will both have to leave immediately. I understand that if I am ejected, I will be suspended for a minimum of one additional game. The ejection will be reviewed by the disciplinary board and additional suspensions could be added based on the severity of the incident and how I handled the ejection.
- 10. I will assist WTF/TPYSF in making sure my team is compliant with all requirements. I understand any parent or coach that works with kids must have a complete background check. I will make sure our team is in good financial standing including league/tournament fees.
- 11. I will not use alcohol, tobacco, or drugs at any time while in the role of coach. I will notify the league if I am arrested for any reason after I have completed a background check.
- 12. I will be a constant student of the game and stay up to date on all local and national rules.

By completing my coaches registration, I agree to the Coach Code of Conduct.