

# BALB Parent Code of Conduct Policy

Adopted August 20, 2019

## Must Print and Turn In To Coach On First Day Of Tryouts Or Your Player Will NOT Be Eligible To Tryout

Billings American legion baseball (BALB) requires all players to sign a Player Intent Form, which includes all our policies and codes of conduct. In addition, BALB requires all coaches to sign a Coach's Code of Ethics. These policies and codes of conduct were written regarding players and coaches. The BALB board has determined that the parents of the players should be held to the same standards as the players and coaches with regards to their conduct during any BALB function, practice or games. Therefore, each parent will sign the following Parent Code of Conduct Policy and turn in a signed copy during sign ups each year. Failure to sign the Parent Code of Conduct will result in the player not being able to tryout.

### **Parent Code of Conduct:**

Parents acknowledge and agree to the following statements of conduct, rules, and conditions for participation in Billings American Legion Baseball (BALB).

1. Parents will do everything in their ability to help their son adhere to the Player Intent Form.
2. Parents understand that selection for any BALB team does not guarantee playing time. Playing time will be at the discretion of the coaches and will be determined by attitude, effort, ability, mental competitiveness, and performance.
3. Promote sportsmanship at all games. Be a positive role model for your son.
4. Show respect for yourself, your son, his teammates, the opposing players and coaches, and umpires at all times.
5. While attending BALB functions, practices, or games parents will refrain from using foul, offensive, or abusive language directed towards any player, coach, or umpire.
6. Parents are not allowed to enter the dugout or approach their son during games or practices to deliver advice, equipment, drinks, or food unless otherwise permitted by the coach.
7. Parents will be accountable for the actions of anyone they bring with them to a team event and will ensure they will follow this Code of Conduct.
8. If you have a difference of opinion with the coach regarding playing time, a game situation, or other such matters, you agree to a 24-hour cooling off period before you address the coaches with your concerns. This is for the benefit of all involved.
9. If a parent is intoxicated at a game, it can and will be a violation of this Code of Conduct and may cause disciplinary action to be taken by the BALB board.

It is the intent of BALB to provide a safe and healthy environment for all. Any action, which conflicts with this Code of Conduct, may lead to involvement of law enforcement and/or legal authorities. Any violations of this Code of Conduct by a parent may cause disciplinary action by the BALB board, which may include suspensions from games, suspensions for the rest of the season, restraining orders, or require the parent to sit away from all other parents and fans. Failure to adhere to the board's disciplinary actions may result in the player of the violating parent not being allowed to play until the parent adheres to the disciplinary decision.

Reports of violations must be submitted in writing or email and be sent to the Chairman of BALB. The identity of the reporting individual will remain confidential. The BALB board will investigate any submitted report of violation to the best of their ability prior taking any disciplinary action against a parent.

**\*By signing this Parent Code of Conduct, I agree to all rules and guidelines, and accept the consequences when these guidelines are not followed.**

Player Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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