

Sun Prairie Youth Baseball and Softball
Coaches Code of Conduct Agreement
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As a 501c3, SPYBAS is a volunteer supported program. We are grateful for the time, energy, and efforts of all our volunteers and acknowledge our league would not exist without your support. As members of our community, representatives of our organization, and role models for our youth we ask that you review and commit to abiding by this Code of Conduct prior to the beginning of each season.

Coaches Expectations

- 1) I agree that I represent all of Sun Prairie when I step on the field. I am the leader and set the tone for how my players and parents will react to adverse situations. I will set a positive example for my team.
- 2) I agree to support the mission of SPYBAS by developing as many quality baseball and softball players for our two high schools as possible. I will support this mission specifically by providing a variety of playing opportunities to each athlete, striving to provide equitable playing time via regular substitutions and rotations. I further understand and agree that if a game becomes out of reach, I will use that opportunity to rotate players through positions they may not normally play.
- 3) I agree to act as a “Director on Duty” during my home tournament and to the responsibilities detailed in the “Director on Duty” policy.
- 4) I agree to promote good sportsmanship, teach good baseball skills, and have fun in the process.
- 5) I agree to understand all league rules and will abide by them. I will also instruct my team and their families of said league rules.
- 6) I agree to review the SPYBAS website (www.spybas.com) on a regular basis to make sure that I am informed of all updated rules and policies.
- 7) I agree to care for league equipment, delegated for my team’s use, and will care for our league’s facilities. I agree to promptly return any issued equipment at the conclusion of the season in the same condition in which it was provided. I understand I am responsible for the cost of replacing lost or damaged equipment.
- 8) I agree to have an open line of communication with both players and parents and be the point of contact between my team and other teams, and with SPYBAS officials.
- 9) I agree to ensure that all fans of our team will conduct themselves with sportsmanship and maturity, always.
- 10) I agree to make sure that coaches and players are the only people allowed in dugouts and on the fields during games.
- 11) I agree to respect the results of the games played and will respect the position of all umpires.
- 12) I agree that coaches will refrain from complaining about perceived bad calls to players or fans.

Coaches Non-Negotiables (may result in disciplinary action or removal from game)

- 1) I agree that any physical or verbal abuse of an official, coach, player, or spectator, including obscene gestures, will not be tolerated.
- 2) I agree that all discussions will be held in conversational tones. Under no circumstances will a coach yell at an umpire, coach, fan, or player. The lone exception to this rule is when a coach shouts to another coach or player during a play, as part of the play.
- 3) I agree profanity is expressly forbidden at all of our events.
- 4) I agree alcoholic beverages, illicit drugs, and tobacco products are prohibited at all of our events. Under no circumstances should a coach attend or participate in any SPYBAS activity while under the influence of alcohol or illicit drugs.
- 5) I agree to complete a SPYBAS provided background check and any associated training.

I pledge to be responsible for my participation by following the SPYBAS Coaches Code of Conduct. My signature verifies that I have read, fully understand, and agree to abide by this Code of Conduct. Consequences for violations may include removal from practice or game, and suspension and or removal from our league.

Signature

Date

Printed Name