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As a Sports Parent I agree to read, and understand prior to agreeing to my children participating in Dinsmore Sport Association/Babe Ruth Baseball. We want to build good sportsmanship, skill level, and love for the game. The highest potential of sports is achieved when competition reflects sportsmanship.

The sportsmanship code of Babe Ruth Baseball and Dinsmore Sports Association is:

Develop a strong, clean, healthy body, mind and soul.

Develop a strong urge for sportsman-like conduct.

Develop understanding of and respect for the RULES.

Develop courage in defeat, tolerance and modesty in victory.

Develop control over emotions and speech.

Develop a spirit of cooperation and team play.

Develop into real, true CITIZENS...

I therefore agree:

- 1. I will not force my child to participate in sports.
- 2. I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
- 3. I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
- 4. I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league.
- 5. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or other sporting event.
- 6. I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well being of the athletes.
- 8. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- 9. I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
- 10. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.

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- 11. I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner every time.
- 12. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- 13. I will emphasize skill development and practices and how they benefit my child over winning. I will also de-emphasize games and competition in the lower age groups.
- 14. I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
- 15. I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.
- 16. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all sports events.
- 17. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.
- 18. We work hard to keep the park clean, please pick up the trash behind yourselves and your children.
- 19. ALL PARENTS are expected to do at least one 2 hour shift in the concession stand/volunteer, unless you pay to opt out.

PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT CONTRACT

By my desire to participate in the DSA/ Babe Ruth Baseball Leaguel attest that I have received and read the Parent's Code of Conduct. I will do my utmost to further the efforts of the League in its mission to provide a sound, fundamental learning experience for all participants. By my signature, I agree to be bound by the requirements and guidelines outlined in the Parent's Code of Conduct and the decisions made by the governing body of the DSA/ Babe Ruth Baseball League.

Parent(s)	Date	Team Name/Division(s)