

# **VERNON BASEBALL ASSOCIATION**

## **PLAYER'S CODE OF CONDUCT**

The actions of players are a reflection of themselves, their team, the Vernon Baseball Association and their community. A player's involvement in baseball provides opportunities and experiences that are important to the development of a well- rounded individual; however, players must remember that their participation in baseball and functions of the Premier Baseball Association is a privilege, not a right.

### **As a player in the Vernon Baseball Association I promise to:**

1. Have and show a positive attitude and be responsible during my participation in the VBA.
2. Practice and encourage good sportsmanship with all players, coaches, umpires, officials and parents at every game, practice and event.
3. Realize that I have a responsibility as a member of a team sport and will do my best to support the team throughout the season.
4. Do my best to listen and learn from my coaches.
5. Treat not only my coaches but also all coaches, teammates, opposing players and game officials with respect and I will expect to be treated with respect in return.
6. Understand that I deserve to have fun during my baseball season and will alert parents or coaches if it stops being fun or an enjoyable experience.
7. Understand that I deserve to play in an alcohol, smoke and drug free environment and expect all participants to respect my wishes.
8. Encourage my parents to be involved and support my team and me in some capacity, as it is important to me.
9. Always try my best.
10. Do my very best in school.
11. Remember that baseball is an opportunity to learn and to have fun.
12. Attend every practice, game and team event that is possible and will give my coach reasonable notice prior to practice, game or event, if I am unable to attend.
13. Always try to be on time for games and practices.
14. Respect the officials and will accept their decisions without incident and will abide by the rules.
15. Agree to refrain from foul language, taunting, and talking disrespectfully.
16. Not accept or participate in bullying of any player physically, verbally, or emotionally.

**Please note that it is important that you have read and understand this VBA Code of Conduct as described above. Any failure on your behalf to comply with the above may result in a temporary or permanent removal from all VBA sponsored activities and negation of my playing privileges.**