

Coach: Code of Conduct

1. I promise to treat everyone fairly abiding by appropriate (in order) HY, PONY and MLB rules, policies, and in compliance with the spirit of HY's mission statement, regardless of gender, ethnic background, color, sexual orientation, religion, political belief or economic status. I will display control, respect, dignity and professionalism to all involved in HY (players, coaches, Opponents, umpires, administrators, parents, spectators).
2. I will direct comments at the performance rather than the person. I promise to be constructive in my criticisms and to direct comments, observations and referrals, to the relevant individuals; to avoid gossip, innuendo and malicious comments. I will refrain from any form of personal abuse towards players and others, including verbal, physical and emotional abuse.
3. I will consistently display high personal standards and project a favorable image of HY.
4. I will not engage in public criticism of fellow coaches. I promise to respect the efforts of appointed and elected representatives of HY.
5. Use of drugs, alcohol and tobacco products is strictly prohibited while engaged in any HY activity. I will never advocate or condone the use of drugs or other banned performance enhancing substances.
6. Use of profane, insulting, harassing or otherwise offensive language while coaching is grounds for ejection with subsequent infraction resulting in dismissal from HY. I will not tolerate use of profane language or player taunts towards opposing team by my players, parents, spectators or assistant coaches
7. I will seek continual improvement of my coaching techniques through available coach education materials and seminars.
8. I promise to treat opponents, umpires and HY officials with respect, both in victory and defeat and encourage athletes to act accordingly. I agree to adhere to all HY policies and procedures.
9. I promise to communicate with all players and parents or legal guardians regarding my coaching style, philosophy, position assignment decisions and any team activities outside practices or games. I will stress parental involvement in improving their child's baseball or softball skills.
10. I will strive to ensure the safety of the players with whom I work; at practice and during the game.
11. I will be knowledgeable about HY Baseball & Softball, PONY, and MLB rules. I will provide instruction to players and parents.
12. I acknowledge I must be aware of the academic pressures placed on players and conduct practices and games in a manner so as to allow academic success.
13. No player can sit out a 2nd inning until all players have set out one inning. Exception: If a player does not show commitment on attending practices it will be at your discretion that player may sit out at the next available game an extra inning.

I understand that if I violate this Code of Conduct I will be subject to a range of consequences, up to and including being prohibited from coaching in HY as ruled by Board of Directors.