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DECATUR PARK DISTRICT
VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

The Decatur Park District appreciates your interest in volunteering your time for the Decatur Park District. The Decatur Park District is required by law to obtain the following information:

Name

Cell Phone Number

Address

Home Phone Number

E-mail

Emergency contact name and address

Emergency contact cell phone number

Emergency contact home phone

Have you ever been convicted of, or found to be, a child sex offender? No Yes

If the answer is no and applicant is subsequently convicted or found to be a child sex offender, applicant agrees to notify the Decatur Park District at 217-422-5911 or by e-mail at bmercado@decparcs.com.

I confirm that the information provided above is true and accurate and that if any of the above information changes, that I will notify the Decatur Park District.

Name:

Date:

Signature of applicant or parent/guardian
if applicant is under the age of 18

Decatur Youth Baseball and Softball COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

The Coach's primary role is to teach ALL kids assigned to his/her team the fundamental skills of baseball/softball in a fun, challenging and safe way. This includes teaching each player how to properly bat and how to play multiple positions on the defense. Coaches agree to attend any meetings or skill sessions that may be required by the league.

Coaches shall remain unconditionally supportive of the organization's commitment to the ideals of a positive and fun atmosphere, good sportsmanship, team play, honesty, loyalty, courage and respect for authority. Skill development takes priority. **Winning "at all costs" is not an acceptable attitude.**

Please *initial* that you will follow these principles:

- I will teach the game of baseball/softball to the best of my ability, but will continually work to improve my understanding of the skills of the game and how to teach those skills.
- I will be a positive role model and provide a positive experience for the players and parents.
- I will display and teach players the principals of good sportsmanship, respect and team play whether the team is winning or losing.
- I will provide organized team practices that will provide for the development of both team and individual skills and will make full effort to provide practices that are both fun and challenging for players.
- I will not ridicule or demean players, umpires or league officials.
- I will be responsible for the conduct of players and parents during games.
- I will treat all players, parents, spectators, umpires and league officials with respect.
- I will not tolerate behavior that endangers the health or well-being of a child.
- I will comply with the decisions of league officials and umpires.
- I will observe all rules, including playing time, policy and procedure as established or endorsed by Decatur Youth Baseball and Softball.
- I will not use profane language while representing Decatur Youth Baseball and Softball.
- I will be drug and alcohol free while at any Decatur Youth Baseball and Softball athletic event.
- I will not use any tobacco products in the dugout or on the playing field.
- I understand that coaches, parents, players, umpires, staff, and league officials are all humans and make mistakes

CONSEQUENCES

It is my responsibility to be familiar with the guideline set forth in the Coaches Code of Conduct. I agree that if I fail to abide by the aforementioned code of conduct, I will be subject to disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to the following:

- Verbal Warning
- Written Warning
- One or Multiple Game Suspension
- Season Suspension
- Probation
- Indefinite Suspension

Disciplinary Policy for Coaches

The Decatur Park District will review all reported incidents of behavior considered detrimental to the game. Umpires and League Officials have the authority and discretion to penalize the offender according to the infraction, including expulsion from a game. Any manager/coach that has been ejected from a game must leave the playing field area for the rest of the game and retire to the parking lot. Any threat made by a manager/coach, parent or any other person will not be tolerated. Threats will draw a punishment up to and including a 1-year suspension.

A second season expulsion may result in a lifetime ban from all Decatur Youth Baseball and Softball activities, including managing or coaching.

By signing below I indicate that I understand my duty as a coach and will follow the above code of conduct.

Signature

Date