

EMMORTON BASEBALL Code of Personal Conduct

1. While at any Emmorton event or playing field, all league officials, umpires, managers, coaches, players, adult volunteers, members, and visitors are asked to adhere to the highest standards of personal conduct and sportsmanship.
2. Everyone has a right to be treated with dignity and respect.
3. Unacceptable conduct or behavior includes the following:
 - a. Profane language
 - b. Abusive language.
 - c. Name calling that is derogatory.
 - d. Racial slurs or epithets.
 - e. Sexual harassment.
 - f. Fighting.
 - g. Actions (verbal or physical) intended to incite unacceptable behavior.
 - h. Actions (verbal or physical) intended to "show-up" umpires, managers, or players.
 - i. Insubordination to those in authority.
 - j. Intentional defacing or destruction of league property or playing fields.
 - k. Gambling on games.
 - l. Alcohol consumption.
 - m. Illegal drug use or any attempt to sell or distribute illegal drugs.
 - n. Cheating, or encouraging the act of cheating.
 - o. Smoking or use of tobacco products.

Offenders will be asked to leave the premises. Managers, coaches, players, or other adults affiliated with the league shall be subject to disciplinary action. You are responsible for the guests you bring to any event.

4. Managers, coaches, or players who deliberately abuse, throw, destroy, or misuse playing equipment will be subject to immediate ejection (with no warning) by the umpire and/or disciplinary action. Also, they may be required to pay for the damaged equipment.

Please remember, this is a group of kids playing a kids' game for fun, to learn about the game and improve their skills, and to learn the value of hard work, fairness, teamwork, and sportsmanship – lifelong skills! This is **not** professional sports with millions of dollars at stake. All of the managers, coaches, umpires, league officials, etc. are *volunteers* who are trying their best to teach the kids the fundamentals of the game as well as the art of good sportsmanship. Your positive support and cheering for your child, your child's team, and even the opposing team is encouraged. Your adherence to the code of conduct as spelled out above is expected. **You** are the key to your child having an enjoyable sport experience with the assistance of everyone involved in the program.

Our Motto – “athletes first, winning second”