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### Parent Code of Ethics

I hereby pledge to provide support, care, and encouragement for my child participating in the City of Ferris Baseball and Softball league by following this code.

- I will not force my child to participate in sports.
- I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not for adults.
- 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 event.
- 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 that would endanger the health and well-being of the athletes.
- I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- I will demand an environment that is free of drugs, tobacco, alcohol and profanity, and I will refrain from their use at all events.
- I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials, and spectators with respect.
- 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 the game or his/her performance.
- I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard and make my child feel like a winner every time.
- I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for any child to win.
- I will respect the officials and their authority during games and practices.
- I understand that the umpire is in charge of the game, and if asked to leave the game or the park, I must follow their request.
- I understand that if I fail to follow these guidelines, disciplinary actions will be taken.

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Signature

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Date