**MADISON RIDGELAND YOUTH CLUB (MRYC) GIRLS SOFTBALL PARENTS CODE OF ETHICS**

**The function of a softball parent is to support your child, her teammates, opponents, the league, and its policies. Each player should be treated as though she were your own and the players’ welfare should be of primary importance. Fellow parents, players, officials, coaches, and spectators must be treated with the same respect and dignity. Accordingly, the following guidelines for parents have been adopted by the Girls Softball Board of Directors.**

* I will place the emotional and physical well being of the girls ahead of a personal desire to win.
* I will use appropriate language in appropriate tones when interacting with all players, league and/or game officials, parents, coaches and spectators.
* I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all players.
* I will be alcohol and drug free and refrain from using tobacco products at all team activities or in the presence of the players.
* I will abide by and be supportive of all applicable ASA and MRYC rules, regulations and policies as well as the spirit of those rules.
* I will exhibit gracious acceptance of defeat or victory and will remember that I am a youth softball parent and that the game is for the players and not the adults.

**I UNDERSTAND THAT FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS CODE OF ETHICS, MRYC POLICIES, AND/OR MRYC BYLAWS AND PLAYING RULES MAY RESULT IN WRITTEN WARNINGS, REPRIMANDS, SUSPENSIONS OR REMOVAL FROM PRACTICES, GAMES, AND/OR THE LEAGUE ITSELF. I HEREBY PLEDGE TO FULFILL MY OBLIGATION AS A MADISON RIDGELAND YOUTH CLUB PARENT BY FOLLOWING THIS CODE OF ETHICS.**

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