



## CYPRESS GIRLS SOFTBALL LEAGUE

### Parent Code of Conduct

Player Name(s):
Team #(s):

Cypress Girls Softball League has committed to follow the USA Softball Code of Conduct. Our purpose as an organization is to perpetuate an organized recreational program that stresses self responsibility, citizenship, sportsmanship and friendship. We dedicate ourselves to not only preparing softball players for advancement to the next level of play, but ensuring all who represent our league demonstrate civility and appropriate behavior. Parents must be willing to comply and in turn document the reception and agreement of the CGSL Parent Code of Conduct. Failure to comply to any of the below rules and guidelines will have immediate consequences as determined by the CGSL Board of Directors.

Adapted from and used in conjunction with Appendix H - USA Softball of Southern California Parents' Code of Conduct - 2024 Yellow Book

As a parent/guardian, I will follow this Code of Conduct and therefore, I agree to the following:

1. I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for the youth, not the adults.
2. I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
3. I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the League.
4. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage good sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials, and spectators at every game, practice or any other league event.
5. I (and my guests) will NOT engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with officials, coaches, players, or parents such as booing/taunting, refusing to shake hands, physical violence, or using profane language or gestures.
6. I will NOT encourage any behavior or practices that would endanger the health and well-being of the athletes.
7. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
8. I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials, and spectators with respect, regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
9. I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
10. I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the field, and will take time to speak with the coaches at an agreed upon place and time.
11. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, alcohol, and tobacco and I (and my guests) will refrain from their use at all league events. This includes all practices, games, tournaments, and team functions on site at Walker Junior High or any other facility in which a league event is taking place.
12. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.
13. I will refrain from ridiculing, attacking (verbally and/or physically), spreading libel or slander against any member of the league (officials, volunteers, other parents, etc.) be it in person or via any social media/other public platform as it embodies and encourages negative behaviors which are not condoned or accepted by the league.
14. I will support my child and the League by participating in mandatory league events such as fundraising, field maintenance, or any other special event which requires parental participation.
15. I understand that failure to abide by the aforementioned rules and guidelines will result in disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to, the following:
  - Verbal warning by umpires, head coach, and/or CGSL Board of Directors
  - Suspension from participation and/or presence at games
  - Game forfeit enforced by umpires or CGSL Board of Directors
  - Suspension from participation and/or presence for a full season of any league activities
  - Indefinite suspension from league membership and participation and/or presence at any league activities

Parent Name: (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_