Volunteer Code of Conduct

## The Roseville Pony Baseball Board of Directors has mandated the following Code of Conduct.

Roseville Pony Baseball

## By receiving this form, you acknowledge that you understand and agree to comply with the following.

**<u>Rules:</u>** I will learn the rules of the game and the League policies. I will abide by written playing rules at all times and not attempt to manipulate them. I will ensure that my players and parents understand these rules, especially all bat use and other safety rules, and will abide by them.

**Commitment**: I understand that I owe my players and families the courtesy of consistent attendance, organization, and effort at practices and games. I will communicate with the families as soon as practicable any time I will be unable to participate in, or will be late to, a practice or game. In addition, I understand that if I am frequently absent from, or tardy to games and/or practices, assistant coaches have the discretion to take action in support of the team, such as leading team practices and games.

**Medical and Emotional Well Being**: I will adhere to the recommendations of medical professionals and parents regarding any physical or mental health concerns of my players.

**Conduct**: I will respect the umpires and their authority during games. I will respect opposing coaching staffs and differing coaching styles. I will never ridicule, shame, or yell at any player or other participant for making a mistake.

**Sportsmanship/Respect**: I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, and umpires at every game and practice. I will not use any profanity, racially insensitive, or other offensive language. I will require that my team treat other players, coaches, umpires, league officials and fans with respect.

**Environment**: I will demand a sports environment for my team that is free from violence, drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and will refrain from their use at all sports events.

**Learning**: I will encourage the learning and development of the kids as athletes and members of our community. I will emphasize commitment, effort, development, sportsmanship, and respect.

No board member, manager, coach, player or spectator shall, at any time:

- Tamper or manipulate any league rosters, draft positions or selections, official score books, pitch counts, rankings, financial records or procedures.
- Speak disrespectfully to any manager, coach, official or board member.
- Physically lay a hand upon, push, shove, strike, or threaten to strike an official, coach, board member, player or spectator.

- Make egregious attempts to manipulate playing rules with an umpire.
- Challenge an umpire's authority. The umpires shall have the authority and discretion during a game to penalize the offender according to the infraction up to and including expulsion from the game.
- Critique, complain to, or confront a Junior Umpire in any capacity.
- Exert verbal or physical abuse upon any official for any real or imaginary belief of a wrong decision or judgment.
- Show an objectionable demonstration of dissent at an official's decision by throwing gloves, helmets, hats, bats, balls, or any other forceful un-sportsman-like action.
- Use unnecessarily rough tactics in the play of a game against the body of an opposing player.
- Use profane, racist, obscene or vulgar language in any manner at any time.
- Appear on the field of play, stands, or anywhere on the Roseville Pony baseball complex while in an intoxicated state.
- Gamble upon any play or outcome of any game with anyone at any time.
- Smoke, vape, or use chewing tobacco/"dip" while in the stands, on the playing field, or in any dugout. These actions will only be permitted in designated areas which will be 60 feet from any spectator stands or dugouts.
- Publicly discuss with spectators in a derogatory or abusive manner any play, decision or a personal opinion on any players during the game.
- As a manager or coach, excessively mingle with or fraternize with spectators during the course of the game.

The Board of Directors will review all infractions of the Code of Conduct. Depending on the seriousness or frequency, the board may assess additional disciplinary action up to and including expulsion from the league.