



GORDON HEAD 15U BANTAM AA

PARENT EXPECTATIONS

- Please remember that our coaches are qualified to run this team, but are still Volunteers. They will do the best they can to teach our players the game, rules, and to act properly on and off the field. Gordon Head Baseball appreciates the job they are doing and expect parents to acknowledge their efforts as well.
- Do not coach from the stands. Please leave coaching to the Coaching Staff. At this level, players need to recognize their Coach as the one to follow instructions by.
- Respectfully... No parents should be in the dugouts or on the field during practices or games unless requested by one of your coaches.
- Please have your child on time to all practices and at least 60 minutes before game start. If a practice starts at 6:00pm, please arrive by 5:55pm. If a game starts at 6:30pm, you must be at the park at least 60 minutes before game time (5:30PM in this example). This gives your coaches the time to run a proper pregame warm-up and go over the “game plan”.
- Be sure that your child has eaten before practices and games. We have a “no food in the dugout” policy.
- Respect and accept your coach’s decisions and judgements. You do not have to agree with the coach’s choices, but you need to respect them (they have been selected to run this team because they are qualified to do so). Players will be played in positions that the Manager feels best to benefit the team’s success (this is not Single A level House Ball, it is a Single Season AA team). With that said, some players will sit more often than others. This is something that needs to be accepted before the season moves forward. Your child made the team, and will play a role on the team. But, you must be prepared that he may sit up to three or four innings some games. If this is a concern, please speak with your Team Manager as soon as possible.
- The Team Manager will be handling the scheduling of parent volunteers.
 - For every game played, we will need a scorekeeper. If you do not know how to score keep, please buddy up with a parent who knows how to early in the season to learn. It is not fair if the same people are doing it every game.
 - For every home game played, we will need parents to step up to prep the fields (putting out bases, raking and lining the field). At the end of the game, the field must be raked / brushed and bases put away. Please note; Coaches should not be left to do this, as they have already volunteered their time to coach your kids.
 - Field Prep and take down is also needed by parents every practice – usually just bases in and out, plus a brush of the infield afterwards.
- Please feel free to cheer in a positive manner for all competitors! It is never acceptable to express anything negative towards any Player, Spectator, Umpire or Coach. **Rule 13.08 (see page 2)**
- Be courteous, respectful and mindful of other spectators. A negative comment made towards a Player or Umpire could be that child’s parent sitting behind you.
- Respect the other team. Unsportsmanlike communication is Unacceptable.
- Any parent or spectator engaged in profane, rude or threatening speech, gestures or actions are subject to ejection from the park by the umpires or a member of the Board of Directors of the Host Park
- Respect the calls of our officials. Please Remember... they do not care who wins, they are just calling it how they see it. Don’t Dump on the Ump!!!
- If you as a parent have a concern about a coach. Please try to resolve it with him in a respectful manner. If this is unsuccessful, or you feel is not an option, please go to our Team Manager (Dave Garton). If this is not an option, please contact Glen Brown, VP and Coordinator of coaches for Gordon Head Baseball.

Remember... This is Youth Baseball... Let’s Have Fun!!!

From the BC Baseball 2016 Rule Book

13.08 Parent Code of Conduct

Parents and spectators attending B.C.B.A. sanctioned events are expected to role model appropriate behavior for the youth players competing on the field. When conflict situations occur, parents and spectators are expected to resolve the conflict appropriately. Players, coaches, and umpires have the right to participate in the game without being subjected to abuse or distractions from outside the playing field.

Examples of unacceptable behavior include but are not limited to: showing disrespect to umpires, opposing players, coaches, parents, and league administrators including: taunting, insulting language, angry outbursts, gestures, and physical aggression. The consumption of alcohol is not permitted at B.C.B.A. sanctioned games.

Coaches are expected to make their best efforts to ensure these expectations are met by their parents and supporters.

Any parent or spectator that fails to meet these expectations may be asked to leave the area surrounding the field by the umpires. The umpire may speak directly to the individual being asked to leave or may choose to have the appropriate coach communicate this decision to the parent. If a parent or spectator refuses to leave the area surrounding the field the umpire may suspend the game without making any judgment as to the final score, which will be determined by the B.C.B.A. Any B.C.B.A. director may request that a parent or spectator leave the area surrounding the field of play as per the requirements of Rule 14. The B.C.B.A. may review any reports submitted in writing regarding unacceptable parent behavior and issue discipline as they feel warranted.