



## **\*LI Dodgers Nation Parents Code of Conduct/Payment/Refund Policy\***

- I will refrain from screaming or coaching from the sidelines; I will refrain from unsportsmanlike gestures, talk, language, cursing, taunting or arguing with opposite coaches, parents, players and ESPECIALLY UMPIRES! Under no circumstances will this be tolerated
- To reiterate, I will show respect towards umpires and their decisions. Only the Coach should be questioning calls and judgements and shall do so only in a charming, professional manner. Moreover, we ask you to be as charming and patient as possible with all officials (tournament directors, umpires, opposing coaches, etc.) at ALL times. Just as we tell the boys, "You never know who is watching". The organization's reputation is in direct reflection of all players, coaches and especially parents involved. Baseball is a small network and we want to uphold our professional standing.
- My son will not miss practice or games unless there is a legitimate reason. The team cannot achieve their goals and maintain a winning attitude if players are missing or arriving late. If your son must miss practice, a workout or a game, a phone call must be made to the coach with 24 hours notice. Moreover, I will have my son at each game 1 hour prior to the start time. This is an important time for us to establish routines and discipline with the boys.
- Absolutely no parents in the dugouts during games. If a coach needed assistance, he will approach the parents.
- I will adhere to the policy of waiting 24 hours before speaking to a Coach. It is ok to talk to coaches about playing time or baseball decisions, but must be done in the appropriate manner at the appropriate time and never in front of your child. Parents are not permitted to talk to the coaches about any decision at the field or in the parking lot. We encourage communication!. Please call or email or visit the coach to discuss any baseball material after 24 hours from the event. We understand that all parents will not always agree with a coach's move, but please respect that the coaches have very difficult decisions to make during the games. So please be empathetic when speaking to them.
- No parent will talk negatively about another players performance either in a group setting nor individually with their son. It can become cancerous to a team as kids talk with kids all the time. We must be cohesive at all times as parents and coaches for the kids to show respect and have a positive playing and learning experience with their teammates.
- I am committed to the **LI Dodgers Nation** for the duration of my sons season, from the beginning of winter workouts to the end of the summer season. **LI Dodgers Nation** will be your primary team and you will not miss any events for any other reason than excusable absences.
- Although we all want to win every game and tournament, I understand that the main goal of the LI Dodgers Nation is to help all of our players develop confidence, self-esteem and character as individual and team players while developing their baseball skills to our best ability through competition and practices. Teams will work hard to win games but winning will never become more important than teamwork, good sportsmanship and personal growth. Baseball is a fun and challenging game that requires players to develop the ability to overcome mistakes and to look forward to their next opportunity. While we always hold our players accountable, we strongly believe in the power of positive thinking. So we please ask everyone to stay positive with our players while encouraging them.
- Dress code-All uniforms will be brought to the games. LI Dodgers issued apparel will be worn by my son for all practices and games. Remind them the importance of always looking the part.
- Praise your athlete for what they do right. Do not focus on what they did wrong. If they bring it up, be there for them and be supportive. Tell them to let us know if they want extra work in a specific area or want to talk about anything.
- Remember that it is still just a game.
- I certify that my child has full medical insurance and that he is physically fit to engage in the activities involved in all aspects of playing the game of baseball.
- LI Dodgers Nation reserves the right to any photographs or video taken at the facility or at practices or games to be used for publicity or advertising.
- I will be fully liable for damages to hotels, vehicles and any personal property or general behavior occurred by my son while playing for the LI Dodgers Nation.
- I will refrain from posting inappropriate or harmful material on Social Media Platforms , including but not limited to Facebook, Twitter and Instagram that are intentionally harmful to any Player, Coach or family member of the Long Island Dodgers Nation. **This includes posting commentary, content, or images that are negative, defamatory, pornographic, proprietary, harassing, libelous or that can create a hostile environment.**

- **PAYMENTS/REFUND POLICY-** I understand and accept and adhere to the following:
  - That a non refundable deposit is due at the time of registration. Registrations without a deposit will not be enrolled until a payment is received. Uniform orders will not be placed until the fee for the uniform payment is paid in full.
  - *That all payments are non refundable and no credit will be given for any reason.*
  - I ACCEPT THAT no credit will be given for withdrawals or absences and it is upon the discretion of LI Dodgers Nation to refund any monies for injuries.
  - That my payment will be made by the due date set forth on the payment schedule, which will be emailed by LI Dodgers Nation. If my payment is not received by the designated due date, I understand that my son will NOT be permitted to participate in any workout, practice or game.
  - LI Dodgers reserves the right to refund any amount paid. Checks are to be made payable to LI Dodgers Nation any any returned checks are subject to a \$35 fee.

***With respect for the LI Dodgers Nation, we agree to follow and uphold this agreement.***

Parents Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Players Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

