



# St. Johns Youth Baseball Association

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## Coaches Creed

The Board of Directors of St. Johns Youth Baseball (SJYBA) takes the responsibility of coaching seriously. Coaches will be evaluated throughout the season to see that **the children's and the association's** best interests are paramount in the actions of our coaches. With that in mind, we have created the following **Coaches Creed** for all coaches in our program to follow:

### Officers

**President**  
Matt Vanbeelen

**Vice President**  
Tom Bates

**Treasurer**  
Dave Rademacher

**Secretary**  
Rob Ruff

I, \_\_\_\_\_ Promise to do my best to help each child entrusted in my care to develop both mentally as well as physically. I promise to remember that we play for fun, and that all children involved in the SJYBA program must get a fair chance to participate. I realize that part of a coach's responsibility is to achieve successful results, and that "winning" comes secondary to all children getting a chance to play and have fun. I understand that this is not an adult sports association. But rather, a youth sports association formed for the children in the community, and for their enjoyment. I will do my best to see that children enjoy participation in our programs. As a coach in the St. Johns Youth Baseball and Girls Softball, I do hereby promise to:

1. Follow all rules and regulations set forth in the SJYBA Coaches Creed.
2. Refrain from using abusive or foul language during any practice, game or any other function related to SJYBA youth sports.
3. Never use alcoholic beverages before, during or in the presence of players, any practice, game or any other function related to SJYBA youth sports.
4. Never use tobacco during or directly after (and in the presence of players) any practice, game or any other function related to SJYBA youth sports.
5. Never use illegal drugs.
6. Never use physical force to strike, hit or inflict physical harm to any child, opponent, umpire, spectator or official involved in any practice, game or any other function related to SJYBA youth sports.
7. Hold in high regard the safety of all children in my care.
8. Attend at least 90% of practices and follow the SJYBA coaching guidelines.
9. Pre-arrange to have competent adult supervision if I am unable to attend practice or game.
10. Address all parental complaints to the best of my ability, and report all parental complaints to the appropriate SJYBA Division Director, or the Board of Directors when they occur.

### Directors

Mistie McCane

Jim Lawless

Dan Dorn

Scott Purtill

Mark Werner

**I understand that I may be subject to disciplinary action of violations of these points up to and including dismissal, at the discretion of the Division Director and / or SJYBA Board of Directors. This will remain active while you are within the SJYBA & Girls Softball program.**

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Coach's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

SJYBA Board Approval: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_