



PARENT CONTRACT

I support my child's, _____, commitment to become a member of the Sanger Warriors. My family is an extension of our softball family, as a result I understand I am expected to commit to team rules and regulations.

- 1. I commit to making sure my child arrives to games and practices on time.** This means often arriving 15 minutes early so that my child has enough time to get situated prior to joining our practice or pre-game preparations.
- 2. I will be sure that my child is properly equipped, sun-protected, hydrated and fueled for practices and games.** This includes proper uniforms, gloves, bags and meals.
- 3. I will show respect for the umpires.**
- 4. I will stay away from the dugout during games and allow coaches to coach.** While this is not easy, I know that providing potentially conflicting messages during a game can be confusing to my child and my presence at the dugout may contribute negatively to his ability to focus.
- 5. I am responsible for the behavior of all family members at games and practices.** Others may attend games to cheer on my child, and I need to be sure that they also handle themselves according to these rules.
- 6. I will provide encouragement and support for my child and all players on the team.** As a team, it's important to provide the same support for my child's teammates. We're in this together!
- 7. I will respect the opposing team, coaches and fans.** They are the same as us in many ways, but they simply wear different uniforms. Appreciation for their performance and respect for their abilities will contribute to a positive game environment.
- 8. I understand that winning is important to the team, but the primary objective is promoting an environment of growth and learning.** They will win. They will lose. They will make mistakes. One of the most important things will be what they learn from success and failure.
- 9. I will help my child embrace his role, no matter what it is.** I may not agree with where my child hits or plays in the field, but it is important that I help my child embrace and master that role for the best possible experience.
- 10. I will refrain from public complaints about coaching and other players with parents.** While I will not always agree with how the team is being coached, I know that these reactions do not help.
- 11. I will schedule a time with the coach to calmly and constructively discuss lineup and playing time concerns rather than during, immediately before or after a practice or game.** Instead of complaining publicly, I will be part of the solution by scheduling a private time to discuss my concerns.
- 12. I will respect the challenges the coaches face and time commitment they make.** I know that coaching isn't easy. It's a significant contribution of time and energy, often with the side effect of stress.
- 13. I will make payments for team fees as scheduled.** The team is not a bank, and several large payments are due on a scheduled basis for tournaments, uniforms, practice facilities and more.

I will always do my best to follow these rules. Depending on the severity and frequency of my infractions, I understand that my actions may impact the standing of my child on this team.

I understand these rules, and I will do my best to always represent this team and my child well.

PARENT SIGNATURE

PRINT NAME

DATE