

## Waconia Area Athletics – Big West Softball Player Agreement

### Players' Code of Conduct:

- I will attend all scheduled practices and games unless I notify the coaches in advance.
- I understand that playing time in games is a privilege to be earned by my behavior regarding practice. I pledge to attend all practices and display a positive attitude and a strong effort in practice and games. I will practice and play hard.
- I will be respectful of my coaches and listen when I am spoken to.
- I will be a positive participant for my team, refraining from foul language and unsportsmanlike behavior
- I will respect the property and equipment of others, whether it is my teammates or others, at my home field or at another facility.
- I will be respectful of all team members, coaches, parents, officials and members of other teams. I will treat people as I would wish to be treated.
- I will encourage good sportsmanship and play “clean” softball.
- I agree to abide by the policies of BigWest Softball and Waconia Area Athletics regarding sexual and physical abuse; anti-discrimination and alcohol, drugs and tobacco usage. I understand that I am responsible for my own actions and consequences of my actions on and off the softball field. Therefore, I pledge to set a positive example of behavior in all settings (e.g., team membership, in the community, at school, etc.), and I will accept consequences when such behavior is compromised.
- I will be respectful of my teammates, coaches, and team parents and make every effort to make the softball experience a fun and positive experience.

Understanding: There will be a three strike rule for any violation of the above Code of Conduct. If **COACHES** in their best judgement feel that a violation has occurred by any player they will report it to Waconia Area Athletics.

The Softball Advisory Board and Waconia Area Athletics will review that violation and make a ruling as to whether the violation warrants a strike. The Softball Advisory Board and Waconia Area Athletics are the **FINAL** say as to whether a player is penalized with a strike or not.

Parents and players will be notified of strikes from Waconia Area Athletics.

Violation Penalties (All penalties are as follows but not limited to just the following)

- First Strike Penalty: Player will be benched for at least 3 innings. (Must attend the game for it to count)
- Second Strike Penalty: Player will be benched for 1 full game (Must attend the game for it to count)
- Third Strike Penalty: Player will be suspended indefinitely from team activities, Head Coach, Parents, and Player must meet with the Softball Advisory Board and Waconia Area Athletics in order to be considered for reinstatement.

This code of conduct and the penalties associated with it are subject to change at any time

By signing my name below, I have read, understand, and agree to abide by all the policies listed in this document.

Parent Signature:

Player Signature:

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Print Name:

Print Name:

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