EXPECTATIONS

When joining Avalanche Baseball Academy, you acknowledge and accept the expectations listed below. The key is not to make it threatening or confrontational, but rather so we are all on the same page - we are in this together!

Coach Expectations:

1. Coaches will set a good example by setting and adhering to the same expectations set for players and parents.
2. Coaches will practice high ethical standards and only direct his or her team to play within the rules.
3. Coaches will have a thorough understanding of the rules of the game and those applicable to the tournaments we play.
4. Coaches will do everything they can to best prepare the players for the situations that they will face.
5. Coaches will have clear, written team rules and expectations for players, parents and coaches. When accepting a position on this team as a coach, player or parent, an agreement is made to follow the rules and expectations of the team and organization.
6. Coaches will consciously provide more positive than negative reinforcement.
7. Coaches will treat kids fairly.
8. Coaches will treat all kids with the respect they deserve.
9. Coaches will be physically and mentally prepared.
10. Coaches will determine roles, positions, lineups and playing time in good faith.
11. Coaches will arrive early to practices and games to be sure that they are prepared prior to players arriving.
12. Coaches will enforce safety at all times, including but not limited to proper use of equipment.
13. Coaches will not risk the health of a player in an effort to win.
14. Coaches will take weather threats seriously to not risk the safety of the team.
15. Coaches will respect decisions made by the umpires.
16. Coaches will be a role model for players regarding good sportsmanship, teamwork and self worth.
17. Coaches will respect the opposing team, coaches, players and fans.
18. Coaches understand that winning is important, but the primary objective is promoting an environment of growth and learning.
19. Coaches will handle winning with class and losing with grace.
20. Coaches will practice self control, setting a positive example for others.
21. Coaches will clearly communicate schedules and team information with families in a timely manner.
22. Coaches will promote an environment where he or she is approachable for fair and open discussions with players and parents.

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Player Expectations:

Accepting a position on any Avalanche Baseball Academy team means that I will agree and adhere to the following expectations.

1. I will always hustle.
2. I will respect my coaches and parents and do as they ask.
3. I will not use profanity, drugs, alcohol or tobacco.
4. I will practice good sportsmanship before, during and after games.
5. I will treat all opposing players, coaches and fans with respect.
6. I will respect decisions made by the umpires.
7. I will handle winning with class and losing with grace.
8. I will never quit. No matter the score, inning or number of outs, I will always give my best.
9. I will work hard when no one is watching.
10. I will never throw a bat or other equipment in anger.
11. I will always prioritize safety of myself and others around me.
12. I will treat practices seriously as an opportunity to become the best player I can be.
13. I will practice self-control, setting a positive example for others.
14. I will always support and encourage my teammates.
15. I will respect the facilities we are provided for practices and games.
16. I will represent my team with class. I realize that this is not just at practices and games but in all walks of life.
17. I will remain in the dugout during games at all times, unless approved by a coach.
18. I understand my grades in school and behavior at home and outside of baseball may impact my position on the team.
19. I will embrace my role, position on the field and in the lineup, and I will not complain or feel sorry for myself.
20. I will learn from my mistakes.

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Parent Expectations:

Allowing my player to accept a position on any Avalanche Baseball Academy team means that I will agree and adhere to the following expectations as his or her parent.

1. I commit to making sure my child arrives to games and practices on time.
2. I will be sure that my child is properly equipped, sun-protected, hydrated and fueled for practices and games.
3. I will show respect for the umpires.
4. I will stay away from the dugout during games and allow coaches to coach.
5. I will be a role model for my child regarding good sportsmanship, teamwork and self worth.
6. I am responsible for the behavior of all family members at games and practices.
7. I will provide encouragement and support for my child.
8. I will provide encouragement and support for all players on the team.
9. I will respect the opposing team, coaches and fans.
10. I understand that winning is important to the team, but the primary objective is promoting an environment of growth and learning.
11. I will get to know the team values and reinforce them with my child.
12. I will support the coach's message.
13. I will help my child to embrace his role, no matter what it is.
14. I will help nurture a positive environment on and off the field.
15. I will refrain from public complaints about coaches and other players with parents.
16. I will schedule a time with the coach to calmly and constructively discuss lineup and playing time concerns 24 hours after a game or tournament rather than during, immediately before or after a practice or game.
17. I will offer my help as a volunteer to leverage my skills, where possible.
18. I will respect the challenges the coaches face and time commitment they make.
19. I will make payments for team fees as scheduled.
20. I will do everything within my control to make this a positive experience for my child, other players, families and coaches.