

## Manager/Coach Commitment Statement

### If appointed as a Manager or Coach I will:

- Remember that I am a **youth** sports coach and that the game is for children, not adults.
- Place the emotional and physical well being of my players ahead of my person desire to win.
- Understand that the objective of Tri-City Little League (TCLL) is to promote the ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, courage, respect for authority, and team building skills so that players may become well-adjusted, stronger and happier children and will grow to be good, decent, healthy and trustworthy citizens.
- Treat each player as an individual, realizing the large range of emotional and physical development for the same age group.
- Realize that such factors as the number of games won and lost, statistics, etc. are very minor considerations in relation to whether the player has a positive, enriching experience during the season and wishes to continue in the sport next year.
- Lead by example in demonstrating fair play and good sportsmanship.
- Notify the spectators that they are responsible for abiding by the “Spectators Code of Conduct”, an integral part of the TCLL Good Sportsmanship Program. Parents are required to sign the Spectators Code of Conduct at registration.
- Handle all administrative requirements of the team, with the assistance of a Team Parent.
- Spend the time necessary with my team at practices and games.
- Do my best to organize practices that are fun and challenging for all of my players.
- Do my best to provide a safe playing situation for my players.
- Review and practice basic first aid principles needed to treat injuries of my players.
- Learn and abide by Little League rules and regulations, the Tri-City local league rules and the Tri-City ground rules for the division in which my team will be playing and will teach these rules to my players.
- Be responsible for proper “safe guarding “ and use of all assigned equipment, facilities and uniforms. I will return all equipment on the date specified by the Equipment Manager at the end of the season.
- Provide a sports environment for my team that is free of drugs, tobacco and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all TCLL practices, games and tournaments.
- At the conclusion of a practice or game, be responsible for turning off lights, locking any equipment sheds, batting cages, etc. that were used and follow the clean-up procedures established in the Tri-City ground rules.
- Attend the TCLL Manager Workshop. Attendance is mandatory for the manager or one official coach for my team. (Your attendance is important to keep you informed and provide you with the tools necessary for a successful season). This Workshop is designed to provide one Workshop (including a Safety Clinic) in place of multiple clinics and meetings.
- Participate in TCLL and/or District 11 functions, including but not limited to: work days at the fields, fundraisers, promotions, picture day, coaching and rules clinics, and other motivational and character building meetings as scheduled.
- Work with all league personnel to benefit the program, **including umpiring on an as needed basis.**
- Assist the league personnel, in conjunction with your Team Parent, in the enforcement of parent responsibilities such as Snack Bar Duty, fundraiser participation, etc. (To assist you in this area, upon registering their child, parents have signed a Parent Responsibility Form outlining their responsibilities during the baseball season).
- Realize that manager ideas and suggestions are valued and needed to help TCLL prosper.
- Understand that the TCLL Board of Directors is diligently working and committed to assisting you in fulfilling your commitments as a manager or coach as well as running an organized Little League program based on what is best for all of the children participating. The Board appreciates all of the time and effort required of you and is available to help if you need assistance.
- **Understand that any of the following actions, while in the presence of players, will result in disciplinary action by the Board of Directors up to and including removal as Manager or Coach of your team:**
  - 1) Display of poor sportsmanship or disrespectful behavior, including arguing or “baiting” the umpire
  - 2) Loss of temper and/or self-control
  - 3) Demonstrating an obvious lack of integrity by intentional manipulation of the rules, and/or cheating
  - 4) Playing players less than Minimum Play Requirements
  - 5) Use of bad language, including derogatory remarks made toward a player or another adult
  - 6) Allowing players to “trash talk” other players or umpires
  - 7) Use of alcohol, drugs or tobacco while around the team

I understand that Tri-City Little League is under obligation to take necessary disciplinary action(s) to ensure that the Managers and Coaches abide by these guidelines.