

Rules, Regulations, and Expectations of Conner High School Baseball Players and Parents

The goal of the Conner Baseball Program is to equip these young men with the skills and the attitude to become winners, not only in the sport of baseball, but in life. We stand by the belief that our players are “Student Athletes.” Therefore, you are considered a student first. It is understood that playing baseball for Conner High School is a privilege and not a right. These team rules may be enforced as an addendum to or addition to the Conner Code of Conduct with regard to behavior at the discretion of the coaching staff and school administration.

Rules and Regulations

I. Academics

- A. All players will maintain passing grades in all courses at all times during the spring semester (i.e.: If your name appears on the F list at any time, you are immediately suspended).
- B. Additional punishment may be applied as outlined in Section III.
- C. Other academic standards will be as outlined in the eligibility criteria of the Conner student handbook.

II) Absences/Tardiness

- A. All players will report to games and practice sessions in appropriate attire and with all required equipment at the appointed time.
- B. The coaching staff, prior to its occurrence must grant excused absence or tardiness.
- C. Unexcused absences or tardiness will be dealt with immediately and without regard to the value of the player or the success of the team. Detentions/suspensions at school are considered unexcused.
- D. These behaviors will be punished as follows. Each practice/game missed will be the same number suspended. (ex: 1 game missed is 1 game suspended).

III) Penalties

- A. In any 1 season
 - a. 1st offense - on field activity at the discretion of the coaching staff (ex: additional physical conditioning).
 - b. 2nd offense - suspension from games and practices for 1 calendar week.
 - c. 3rd offense – termination from the team for that season.
- B. Any level of penalty, including immediate termination from the team may be applied at the discretion of the Head Coach should he believe that the offense is serious enough to warrant that penalty

IV) Appearance

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- A. There will be no body piercings worn at practice sessions or games.
- B. All players will report to practice with all required equipment including long pants and shirts (unless otherwise instructed).
- C. All players will report to games in a full uniform. Equipment or uniform parts may not be borrowed from another player. Items will include:
 - a. i. Uniform pants and shirt. Shirt to be buttoned to the top
 - b. ii. Appropriate color undershirt, belt and socks
 - c. iii. Team hat
- D. These behaviors will be punished as outlined above in Section III

V) Attitude

- A. Conner baseball players and coaches will foster an attitude of respect for each other and attempt to make each other the best players and coaches that they can be. This will apply both on and off of the field. No player should consider himself above or better than any other team member.
- B. The locker rooms are considered an extension of the playing field.
- C. There will be no fighting or taunting of anyone at any time. This includes team members and non-team members alike.
- D. Players will not use obscene language while representing the Conner baseball program. This includes in the classroom, at practice, at games, and in the community.
- E. These behaviors will be punished as outlined above in Section III.

VI) Care of Equipment

- A. Players are expected to care for their own equipment and not to use anything belonging to anyone else without their permission. There may be a penalty imposed for equipment left at games or practices. This will be outlined at the beginning of each season.
- B. While we understand normal wear from use, team equipment or apparel that is abused (i.e.: helmets, bats, uniforms, catching gear, etc.) will be paid for by the individual(s) involved should that equipment need to be replaced due to said abuse. They will be suspended from the team immediately and until appropriate payment is made. Lesser forms of abuse (i.e.: throwing equipment out of frustration) are also unacceptable.
- C. These behaviors will be punished as outlined above in Section III.

VII) Respect Toward Opponents/Umpires

- A. Conner Baseball is well respected by other coaches, teams, umpires, reporters and scouts. We intend to continue to earn and maintain this level of respect. No player or coach is bigger than this team.
- B. We will treat all opponents with respect. Conner players and coaches are expected to cheer for their teammates. Opponents are to be congratulated for outstanding play. There will be no taunting, “trash talking” or other disrespectful behavior. Problems encountered

with regard to the other team's behavior should be answered with silence and reported to the coaching staff or administration for further action.

- C. Players will not argue with umpires. Coaches will handle all disagreements.
- D. These behaviors will be punished as outlined above in Section III

VIII) Legal Issues, Alcohol, Tobacco, etc.

Upon notice of a legal issue regarding drugs, alcohol, or other circumstance, the player will be suspended until the legal issues have been taken care of through the courts. Upon return the player will be suspended 25% of the scheduled season and may face additional punishment at the coach's discretion.

A second offense is automatic dismissal from the team for the given school year.

PARENT EXPECTATIONS:

1. RESPECT
 - a. All Players, coaches, referees and other families.
 - b. Do not communicate with players or coaches during practices or games
2. Your son is a student first and an athlete second. Encourage your son to take pride in his academic success and celebrate his academic success with him.
3. As the parent of a Conner baseball player, you and your son represent this program in the community. Represent this program with pride and care at the field and in the community.
4. Volunteer within the Baseball Program.
5. Be involved with team activities.
6. Trust in the coaching staff and school/program policies
7. Open Communication
 - a. Please let coaches know about injuries, sicknesses, or family obligations.
 - b. We will not discuss the playing time or play of other players
 - c. If you have a question, your son should approach the coaching staff before you do. We are trying to train men; this cannot happen if you handle every uncomfortable situation for them.
8. Cheer for our team, not against the other team
9. 24 Hour rule: If there is an incident or issue, we will not discuss it for 24 hours to allow emotions to cool.
10. Respect the Chain of Command. All assistant coaches are volunteers and should not be approached.

- a. Head Coach of your team
- b. Head Coach of the program
- c. Athletic Director
- d. Principal

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Player Name (Print)

Player's Signature Date

Parent's Signature Date

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