



**TIGERBASEBALL**

**FARMINGTON BASEBALL ASSOCIATION**

**K-12 COMMUNITY**

**PARENT & PLAYER HANDBOOK 2026**

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## FBA BOARD MEMBERS 2025-2026

<b>Travel Director</b>	Responsible for overall travel program; oversees team and coach selection, as well as development of players and coaches. Provides guidance to the board and coaches regarding current rules and regulations. Attends travel-based meetings with MBL and other associations, as necessary.	Anthony Hilden
<b>Community Director</b>	Coordination of the community baseball program. Oversees coaches and players, coordination of community league and tournaments, and attends any community-based meetings with other associations.	Kristy Cranor
<b>Assistant Travel Director</b>	Assists Travel Director on an as-needed basis. At the discretion of the Travel Director, the Asst. Travel Director may be directed to be solely responsible for certain duties. Assistant Travel Director will function as FBA Risk Management Officer & monitors trusted coaches training.	Ryan Jahnz
<b>Assistant Community Director</b>	Assists Community Director on an as-needed basis. At the discretion of the Community Director, the Asst. Community Director may be directed to be solely responsible for certain duties.	Andrew Roberts
<b>Treasurer</b>	Oversees financial assets & expenditures, maintains balance sheets, and maintains financial records.	Brian Laabs
<b>Equipment Director</b>	Responsible for purchase & distribution of equipment.	Tim Vanderline
<b>Hosted Tournament Director</b>	Responsible for managing and coordinating FBA hosted tournaments. Helps with DIBS opportunities, purchasing medals, distributing tournament rules, creating registration on the MBT website.	Angela Mucha

<b>Communications Director</b>	Responsible for communications on behalf of the association, to include pertinent information via email and the FBA website. Organizes agenda items and reporting of minutes from monthly board meetings.	Aimee Morgan
<b>Scheduling Director</b>	Oversees facility scheduling for tryout sessions. Oversees field scheduling for practice, games, clinics, and other events. Oversees process for coaches' MBL scheduling meeting.	Kayla Gillispie
<b>Uniform / Apparel Director</b>	Responsible for purchasing and distribution of team jerseys and hats for community, travel, and legion. Responsible for coaches shirts. Maintains inventory during the off-season. Manages our relationship with uniform vendor, to include apparel orders for members.	Jamie Schmode
<b>Player Development</b>	Responsible for coaches training, including practice plans, team organization, rules and policy review, as well as assisting coaches as a team liaison with parents.	Brandon Chant
<b>Data/Website Director</b>	Responsible for handling and structure of the online registration process for FBA. Maintain and update FBA website, complete player tracking, including birth certificates.	Gina Burmeister
<b>Volunteer Director</b>	Responsible for staffing association tournaments and concession stands. Works with our tournament director to track and create opportunities for volunteers to sign-up using online software.	Cathy Haukom
<b>Travel Tryout Director</b>	Responsible for the organization and coordination of yearly player evaluations for the travel program.	Adam Simon
<b>Umpire Director</b>	Coordinate and manage umpires assigned by FBA for both travel and community baseball games. Director will also work with assigned umpire associations for games not filled by FBA-trained umpires.	Scott Wilson (acting)

<b>Concessions Director</b>	Oversees concession stand operations and products for all hosted tournaments.	Megan Tesmer
<b>Community Age-Level</b>	Assists Community Director and Assistant Community Director with tasks, as assigned.	Lynn Heidbrink Julie Boyum Jen Peterson
<b>At-Large Director</b>	Voting Members of FBA – Duties as assigned by the travel director and community director or can be designated by the FBA board of directors.	Scott Wilson
<b>Team Coaches</b>	Responsible for distribution of practice and game schedules. Responsible for constant development of all athletes on their roster. Responsible for resolving player and/or parent conflicts.	

## COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY

A player is eligible to participate in FBA community baseball if they meet the following criteria:

- Players must have completed FBA registration online prior to the posted close of registration
- Players must reside in the district 192 attendance area or live within the City of Farmington
- Must have paid all applicable fees and any arrears from previous FBA seasons.
- Must meet specified grade level guidelines.
- If a player wishes to participate with FBA and does not reside in District 192 attendance area a request via email must be submitted to the FBA Community Director prior to the posted close of registration. The FBA Board will review the request to determine if the player is eligible to participate in the FBA program and will then notify the parent(s)/guardian prior to the closing of the registration process.
- If you are registering for our Big Cats team, we will allow players from outside ISD 192.

## Age Level Requirements

Players grade level will be determined by the current school year, 2025 to 2026.

The following are the levels of play:

- Kindergarten
- 1st Grade
- 2nd Grade
- 3rd Grade
- 4th and 5th Grade
- 6th, 7th and 8th Grade
- 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th (Big Cats)

## REGISTRATION / REFUNDS

The annual registration fee established for the 2026 Season are:

GRADE LEVEL	FEE
Kindergarten	\$130
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	\$135
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	\$160
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	\$190
4 <sup>th</sup> / 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	\$195
6 <sup>th</sup> / 7 <sup>th</sup> / 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	\$195
Big Cats	\$225

### Late Registration Fee

After March 21<sup>st</sup> there will be a \$30 late registration fee added to the registration fees noted above.

### Refunds

FBA will deduct a \$50 non-refundable registration fee, if your child decides not to play baseball before the season starts.

After the season begins, FBA has adopted a no-refund policy with regards to all registration fees.

### Medical Exemption

If the player is medically unable to participate, a note from a doctor indicating that the participant cannot participate is required.

1. If a player is injured prior to any team event, they can receive a 100% medical refund minus \$40 administration fee
2. If a player has participated in a practice, but no games, they can receive a 50% medical refund minus \$40 administration fee
3. If a player has participated in at least one game, there is no refund

### Unpaid Fees

All registration fees are due in full by the date set within the online registration unless specific payment arrangements have been authorized by the Community Director. Accounts that are unpaid may be subject to special conditions for future payments, as directed by the FBA Board.

## 2026 DIBS

### Dibs Fee/Requirements

There will be a volunteer fee of \$500 **per family** for 1<sup>st</sup> Grade through 14U. The volunteer requirement is **4 credits (DIBs) per player (MAX of 6 credits/family)** for travel and community players and will be tracked through a designated software system. Volunteer checks will be collected at the parent's meeting or first practice. Players will **not receive their FBA hats or uniform shirts until the check is collected**. A \$300 Volunteer Buyout option is available **ONLY** during registration. **ONLY** those over the age of 15 may work DIBS shifts. You must be 16 years or older to handle cash in the concessions.

## **Dibs Opportunities**

Volunteer opportunities will be available during Farmington Barnburner hosted Travel tournament(s), Community season tournaments, and a Gopher State tournament a weekend in July. Additional upcoming opportunities are posted on our website. Each task/credit will typically consist of a 1-4 hour shift working concession stands, field preparation, or other baseball program related activities. Note Kindergarten families are not required to do volunteer hours.

Additionally, parents and guardians are respectfully asked to help your player's team during the season. Your player's coach and team manager will determine what is needed. All families that don't have a family member serving as a coach, assistant coach or team manager are expected to help with team needs. This is **not** part of the task requirement and not tracked through the designated software system.

## **Unfulfilled Dibs – Cashing Dibs Checks**

Your check will be cashed if your volunteer hours are not completed by the end of the FBA season which runs from March 1<sup>st</sup> – July 31<sup>st</sup>. We will send multiple emails if you have not met your requirements prior to cashing your check.

## **TEAM CREATION**

Special requests by players, coaches or parents for specific team assignments is not permitted. All decisions of FBA regarding team placement are final.

Teams will consist of 1 head coach, 1 to 2 assistant coaches and 1 manager (3<sup>rd</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>)

## **COACHES**

### **Coach Selection**

Anyone who desires to be a head coach or assistant coach must fill out and submit a coaching application. We at FBA find a great baseball coach needs deep game knowledge, strong leadership, excellent communication, and patience, focusing on player development through positive reinforcement, strategic instruction, and teaching life skills like discipline, teamwork, and sportsmanship, all while being a motivating role model who balances fun with serious focus. They

must be adaptable teachers, always learning, and able to build a strong, positive team culture. Coaches must also support FBA policies/procedures, and the applicant's commitment to devote many hours to the program during the season. Coaches' responsibilities begin with coaches' and player meetings and end in early August with equipment check-in, season reviews, and recommendations/feedback. If chosen as a coach, a background check will be conducted according to the FBA guidelines.

If no team has a head coach we will assemble said team and the parents will be informed of the situation. FBA will work with the parents to try and find a suitable head coach.

## **Coach Removal**

Removal of a team coach is a very serious situation and must be dealt with in a fair and open manner. Coaches may be removed for the following reasons:

- Failure to perform duties.
- Conduct detrimental to the player, the team, the organization, and/or the parents.
  - Abusive behavior, whether physical or psychological, towards players, parents, opposing players, coaches, spectators, umpires, volunteers, or league officials.

Any coach removed from league or tournament games will automatically receive a one game suspension. Suspension means that a coach cannot attend the game either as a coach or a spectator. If a coach is removed a second time during the season, they will receive a minimum two game suspension AND be placed under restrictions by the FBA Board. Ultimately, the FBA Board will decide on the coach's future involvement in the program.

## **SEASON OUTLOOK**

The FBA Season runs from middle of April to the end of season tournament, usually last week in July. Length of season also depends on grade level played. FBA offers a summer season baseball experience, run by volunteers. At times, we will offer events in August-through the middle of March. These events should not be expected and cost additional fees paid by participants.

## **Practices / Games**

Each team will have 5 to 6 practices at the beginning of the season. Once games start each team could have a combination of 2 practices, 1 game and 1 practice or 2 games per week.

Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will play games against other teams within FBA. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4/5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> will play games against other teams that have joined through MBL. Big cats will play against teams within the Burnsville Athletic Club Senior League. This is comprised of teams largely in the South Metro.

Levels of play will be on the following days:

GRADE LEVEL	DAY
Kindergarten	Tuesdays & Thursdays
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	Mondays & Wednesdays
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Tuesdays & Thursdays
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Tuesdays & Thursdays
4 <sup>th</sup> / 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Mondays & Wednesdays
6 <sup>th</sup> / 7 <sup>th</sup> / 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Mondays & Wednesdays
Big Cats	TBD – Typically games on Sundays

## Metro Baseball League

Our association teams that are registered for the current season of Metro Baseball League (MBL) will adhere to the rules established by the MBL, which also follows the guidelines set forth by the National Federation of State High School Associations [www.nfhs.org](http://www.nfhs.org).

Please refer to the rules under the community section on the MBL website [www.mbl.bz](http://www.mbl.bz) for the latest information. Any rule changes will be listed there.

## Tournaments

Each league will have an end of season tournament. Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>, and 2<sup>nd</sup> will be held sometimes in the last week of June. 3<sup>rd</sup> / 4<sup>th</sup> / 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> / 7<sup>th</sup> / 8<sup>th</sup> will be held at the end of July. Big Cats tournament is typically held mid-July.

## Attendance

All players will adhere to the attendance policy below.

Please make every effort to make games and practices. Please report all absences in advance if able to Head Coach. We understand emergencies come up just report ASAP to you Head coach.

## Inclement Weather

In situations involving unfavorable weather, the coach, with guidance from the Community Directors, City of Farmington and City of Lakeville. Along with District 192 and 194 personnel, will determine if there will be a practice or game. If a field is unplayable due to weather, the home team coach must notify the other coach as soon as the decision is made. Once play begins, the umpire is responsible for determining whether play should be halted.

In all cases, unless you receive communication from your team's coach, you should appear at the site of the game or practice as scheduled. Weather conditions can vary widely even over short distances, so our policy is to make the decision at the field site. Games and practices will be suspended when lightning is visible. If you (parent/guardian) cannot be present during an event, be sure that your child knows another parent who will be present and with whom they can take

shelter if bad weather suddenly threatens.

## UNIFORMS

Each player will be given the following: Hat and Jersey.

Each player will be responsible for belt, socks and pants. Additionally, each player must have their own glove, bat and cleats (***molded for kindergarten to 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Metal allowed starting at Big Cat level but please note that many associations will not allow metal cleats on their pitching mounds!***). Bats are provided but we do recommend they have their own. A hard protective cup is also recommended.

## POLICIES

### Code of Conduct

The conduct of our players and coaches is a direct reflection on our program. All infractions reported to FBA or the Metro Baseball League will carry restrictions and/or sanctions to the individuals involved. These restrictions or sanctions will be determined by the FBA Board.

Annually, all parents and players agree to the "FBA Code of Conduct" upon registration. A copy can be printed for your reference from the website under the Travel tab.

### Player Behavior / Misconduct

FBA mandates that all players/coaches/parents represent FBA in a positive manner. Any acts of misconduct will be brought to the Conduct Committee's attention where they will investigate the violation and a penalty(s) associated with the violation. The Conduct Committee will hand down a penalty that may range from a warning, up to and including the loss of eligibility in traveling baseball for that sport season. The Conduct Committee will be made up of the Travel Director, Assistant Travel Director, Community Director, Assistant Community Director and up to two other FBA Board members.

Examples of misconduct include, but are not limited to the following:

- Damage to property while representing FBA (fields, equipment, hotel, restaurant etc.)
- Theft
- Fighting
- Poor Conduct or Sportsmanship

### Suspensions

The FBA reserves the right to suspend any coach, parent, or player who violates the FBA Code of Conduct. Suspensions will be documented and reviewed by the FBA Board. Subsequent violations may result in the player, parent, or coach being removed from the program. All violations must be reported to the FBA Community Director.

Any player, coach or spectator ejected from a game will also be suspended from their team's next game. For example, a player, coach, or spectator ejected from a tournament game will be suspended from that tournament's next game or league game if there are no more tournament games. Further sanctions may be warranted depending upon the behavior. The FBA Board can impose additional sanctions after a review of the situation.

## **Background Check**

FBA requires all coaches, managers, voting members, volunteers, or hired workers who provide regular service to the organization and/or have repetitive access to, or contact with players and teams to submit a formal BCA Background Check form to the FBA Risk Management Officer (RMO).

The background check application must be maintained by the RMO for all personnel named above, for a minimum of the duration of the applicant's service to the FBA for that year. The background check will be required of all personnel named above prior to assuming his/her duties for the current season. Neither FBA, nor any team within the FBA will permit any person to participate in any manner, whose background reveals a conviction or guilty plea for any crime involving or against a minor. If FBA becomes aware of information, by any means whatsoever, that any personnel named above has been convicted of or pled guilty to any crime involving or against a minor, the FBA will be required to confirm the accuracy of the information. Upon confirmation of a conviction for, or guilty plea to, a crime against or involving a minor, FBA shall not permit the individual to participate in any manner.

The applicant, by submitting a formal BCA Background Check agrees to release and to hold harmless from liability FBA, the officers, employees and volunteers thereof, or any other person or organization that might provide information. Regardless of previous appointments, FBA is not obligated to appoint the applicant to a volunteer position. If appointed, the applicant agrees that, prior to the expiration of his/her term, they may be subject to suspension by the voting members of the FBA for violations of the FBA policies or principals.

## **Non-discrimination**

FBA will not discriminate against any person, player, or applicant on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, marital status, gender, sexual orientation or disability.

## **Concussions**

In accordance with state laws, FBA requires all coaches to be trained in concussion information, how to recognize the symptoms of a concussion and procedures to be followed for youth athletes to return to play after an incident. In an effort to comply with the state law, FBA requires all coaches to complete a free online informational training session offered through Trusted Coaches. At the end of the training, a certificate of completion is issued under the trainees' name. This certificate will be retained by the FBA Risk Management Officer and is valid for a period of three years. Additional information and links to the online training course can be found on our website.

## Drug / Alcohol / Tobacco Policy

The FBA mandates that all players shall refrain from the use of alcohol, tobacco (including vaping) and/or a controlled substance during the entire season – from the time teams are announced through the last game, practice, scrimmage, or exhibition event of the season. The FBA also mandates that all coaches/parents/fans participating in an FBA scheduled activity (practice/scrimmage/game) should refrain from the use of alcohol, tobacco/vaping and/or a controlled substance. Subject to the entire season (player) and FBA scheduled activity (parent/coach), it shall be a violation of this policy for a player/coach/parent to consume a beverage containing alcohol, or use or consume, have in possession, buy, sell, or give away any tobacco/vaping product or controlled substance. Once a violation has been brought to the Board's attention, the Travel Director will investigate the violation. Once a decision has been made, the player/parent/coach will be informed of their ineligibility by written communication from the Travel Director.

- **First Violation:** Upon notification to the Board, the player/coach shall lose eligibility for the next two consecutive games or two weeks of a sport season in which the player/coach is participating, whichever is greater. No exception is permitted. Should the violation not be capable of being served to the fullest extent during the FBA season, the penalty shall carry over into the next season.
- **Second Violation:** The player/coach shall lose eligibility in traveling baseball for that sport season. No exception is permitted. A second violation will be reported to the FBA and may be subsequent grounds for removal as a coach in all of their sports activities.
- **Accumulative Penalties:** Penalties shall be accumulative beginning with and continuing throughout the player's/coach's participation in any and all FBA activities.

## Blood Policy

A player or coach who is bleeding or who has an open wound shall be prohibited from participating in the game until appropriate treatment has been administered. If medical care or treatment cannot be administered in a reasonable amount of time, the individual will have to leave the game. (The length of time considered reasonable shall be in the umpire's judgment.) Once the bleeding has been stopped, the player or coach may reenter the game. If there is a substantial amount of blood on the uniform, it must be changed before that individual may participate.

## Risk Management

FBA has a great deal of concern about the safety of and preventing the abuse of children. As a non-profit organization, we are interested in the well-being of children; FBA believes you are entitled to know how our organization is addressing these critical issues. It is important to know the defensive measures we will be employing to protect children in our care, as well as the FBA volunteers from these serious problems.

FBA will not tolerate the abuse of any child. We make an active and, we believe, effective effort to prevent child abuse in our programs. We will now attempt to screen our volunteers by requesting

that each volunteer complete a FBA Background Check Application, which is processed through the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA). We will take any allegations of abuse made by children and others very seriously and refer all allegations to local child protection authorities for investigation. We will fully cooperate in those investigations.

A nonprofit youth athletic association has the right, by statute, to request its workers, including volunteers, to submit to a criminal background check performed by the BCA. Minnesota Statutes Section 299C.61-299C.62 establishes a procedure for a "children's service provider" to have a background check performed by the Bureau. The Act does provide that the applicant shall not be required to pay the cost of the background checks. In other words, it is an expense that the organization will have to absorb.

*The Assistant Travel Director will function as the Risk Management Officer for FBA.* The Risk Management Officer will distribute and collect the Disclosure Statements and perform the necessary background checks. Prior to being appointed, the Risk Manager Candidate shall complete and sign a Disclosure Statement that will be used for a background check as described below.

All candidates for positions as FBA Board members, coaches, and assistant coaches shall complete a written or online Disclosure Statement to the appointed Risk Management Officer prior to beginning their work with the FBA participants. The Risk Management Officer shall also have Disclosure Statements completed and signed by any other FBA voting member or volunteer he/she deems necessary due to the person's access to the FBA participants. If a coach candidate or current FBA volunteer refuses to complete and sign a Disclosure Statement, the person's candidacy shall be rejected, or he/she shall be dismissed from any position he/she then holds with FBA. The Risk Management Officer will perform background checks on all candidates at least once every two years. Updated Disclosure Statements will be required every two years. Under **NO** circumstances can a team practice, play, or meet with a coach or assistant coach who has not had a background check.

In the event an FBA voting member receives a complaint of physical or sexual abuse of an FBA participant, the Risk Management Officer shall report the complaint to the FBA Board and the local child protection authorities, and to the FBA participant's parent(s)/guardian(s).

After a physical or sexual abuse complaint concerning an FBA volunteer has been formally lodged with the local child protection authorities, the Risk Management Officer shall inform the alleged offender in writing that he/she is suspended immediately from all activities within the organization until the complaint is dismissed or is withdrawn.

Decisions by the Risk Management Officer are final.

# PARENT CONFLICT RESOLUTION GUIDELINES

## Conflict Communications Policy

Unless the issue is regarding player safety, please follow the 24-hour rule prior to addressing any complaints. Communication should start with the head coach, then FBA age level Coordinator, then FBA Community/Travel Director.

**NOTE:** The Board will limit phone calls to two 30-minute phone calls/conflict.

Email communication is also available through: [farlingtonbaseball55024@gmail.com](mailto:farlingtonbaseball55024@gmail.com).

### Step 1:

When a player or parent has a question regarding the general policies or procedures of FBA, they should address their questions to the coach of their team.

Choose a time and place that is convenient for both parties involved - not prior to or during a game or practice. Address your questions in an appropriate manner.

### Step 2:

If a question is not answered satisfactorily and a player/parent feels the need to pursue the matter further, they may contact the FBA Age Level Coordinator. The age level coordinators will be shared closer to the start of the 2026 season and will introduce themselves after team selections. If the FBA age level coordinator deems it is necessary, he/she will contact the assistant community director/community director and/or the FBA Board for guidance.

If the problem persists or cannot be resolved between the player/parent and the coach within 72 hours, it should be brought to the attention of the Community Director or Assistant Community Director. The Community Director or Assistant Community Director will act as a mediator between the player/parent and the coach. All parties involved will meet to discuss the situation and strive for a solution.

### Step 3:

If the problem persists or cannot be resolved between the player/parent and the coach within an additional time frame and assistance from the board age level coordinator, it will be brought to the attention of the FBA Board.

The FBA Board will approve a final resolution for this issue at their next scheduled meeting and inform both the player/parent and the coaches involved of their decision within 48 hours after meeting. **All board decisions are final.**

## CONFLICT VIOLATIONS

If a parent continues to have conflict and/or violates a board policy or decision we will use the following guidelines:

1. First Violation: Verbal Warning
2. Second Violation: Written Warning – Could Lead to a player/parent with a one

game suspension

3. Third Violation: Removal of player and/or parent(s) from FBA for the remainder of the season. Future participation in the association is at the discretion of the FBA Board.

The FBA Board has the right to move forward with any of the above consequences for parent/player behavior. Depending on the severity of the conflict, FBA does not have to give two warning violations to remove to player/parent removal.

## RESPONSIBILITIES & RIGHTS

### Parent Responsibilities

Your child's participation in the community baseball program will require a significant contribution of your time and effort. Parents can contribute many things to support their child, team, and the program.

- Compliment and encourage. Let the coaches handle coaching and criticism.
- Coordinate your efforts to help your child's development with the recommendations of the coaches.
- Support your coaches. Remember that they are responsible for many children in addition to yours and have probably been responsible for the athletic achievements of many athletes before this season.
- Don't compare your child to other players. Be honest with yourself and your child about their abilities.
- Regard each player on the team as your own.
- Keep negative comments to yourself. Express concerns only to the coach and in a straightforward, fair, and objective manner.
- Teach your child to have fun and enjoy competition. Don't tell them that winning does not count because it does, and they know it. Instead, help them to develop a healthy competitive attitude toward winning and losing.
- Follow the "Parents' Code of Conduct" supported and distributed by FBA.
- Demonstrate good sportsmanship and proper behavior. Don't criticize officials, coaches or other parents or players.
- Ensure the good sportsmanship and proper behavior of your child and your guests.
- Get your child to, and pick them up from, practices and games on time.
- Inform the coach in advance whenever your child will miss or be late for a practice or a game.

## **Parent Rights**

- Have your child treated fairly and with respect.
- Have your child practice and play in a safe and healthy environment.
- Have your child coached by effective and qualified adult leadership.
- Have your child engage in practice and playing activities that increase their skills and enjoyment of the sport.
- To be fully informed by the coaches with respect to schedules, team philosophies, team rules, and your child's strengths and weaknesses.

## **Player Responsibilities**

- Players on a community team should take pride in their team, and in their community. They must follow the directions of the coaches and must be willing to accept constructive criticism.
- Be attentive and work hard in practice and games.
- Make their best efforts to perform the tasks as directed by the coaches.
- Be a competitor, perform up to their full ability, and contribute to team unity.
- Compliment teammates and let the coaches handle criticism.
- Show respect toward their coaches, teammates, and parents.
- Show respect toward opposing players, coaches, umpires, and spectators.
- Keep their (personal and team) equipment clean and in good repair.
- Maintain a responsible attitude toward their health. Be aware of, and adhere to, the FBA policies on drugs, alcohol, and tobacco.
- Remember that baseball is a game and keep it in perspective with family, school, and/or activities and responsibilities.
- Demonstrate good sportsmanship and proper behavior.
- Remind their parents that they need to be at practices and games on time.
- Inform the coach whenever they will miss or be late for a practice or a game.

## **Player Rights**

- To participate at a level that matches their maturity and ability.
- To participate in a safe, healthy environment.
- To be treated fairly, with dignity and with respect.
- To have fun in sports.
- To have an equal opportunity to develop your abilities and strive for success.
- To have good coaching; to be taught baseball fundamentals and strong character development.

## **PARENT SURVEY & SUGGESTIONS**

A parent survey will be distributed at the conclusion of the community baseball season. All other suggestions for the improvement of our program can be given, in writing, to your coaching staff, or be submitted via e-mail [farmingtonbaseball55024@gmail.com](mailto:farmingtonbaseball55024@gmail.com).