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## Beachside Little League

### Discipline Policy and Guidelines

Children participating in Beachside Little League are expected to conduct themselves in a manner reflective of good sportsmanship. Players engaging in behaviors that are disrespectful, disruptive, or interfere with the safety of others will be disciplined according to the guidelines set forth by our League.

#### **First Incident**

- The Team Manager conducts a conference with the player and parent that includes identification of the problem behavior and discussion of acceptable behavior.
- The Team Manager will send the appropriate player agent an email with a description of the incident, the date, the parties involved and the action taken.

#### **Second Incident**

- Team Manager conducts a conference with the player and may decide to remove the player from the game. The decision to remove the player from the game is at the discretion of the team manager. The Team Manager may ask the parents to remove the player from the ballpark.
- Team Manager contacts the parents to schedule a time to discuss the reoccurring inappropriate behavior and to explore strategies for assisting the child in changing the behavior.
- The Team manager will send the appropriate player agent an email with a description of the incident, the date, the parties involved, and the action taken.

#### **Third Incident**

- Team Manager removes the player from the game and parents are directed to remove the player from the ballpark.
- The Team manager will send the appropriate player agent an email with a description of the incident, the date, the parties involved, and the action taken.
- Team Manager refers the situation to the discipline board (President, Vice President, Safety Officer and the division Player Agent). The discipline board will meet and recommend disciplinary action that may include benching the player for a game or series of games, or removal of the player from the league roster for the remainder of the season.

#### **Severity Clause**

- Team Managers may refer a player to the discipline board anytime a player engages in severe behavior that is disruptive and upsetting to the team.
- The discipline board will meet and recommend disciplinary action that may include benching the player for a game or series of games. It may also include removing the player from the league roster for the remainder of the season.

**Note:** At the official start of a game, the umpire presides over the game and he/she may remove a player from the game independent of our policy.