

## Rules & Regulations for Mitchell Baseball 2021

Mitchell Baseball is a completely voluntary program. In order to prevent adverse public reaction, dissension, and to promote general welfare for the participants, the following rules will be enforced.

**1) Unexcused absences-** Players recording unexcused absences from practice will be subject to missing playing time. There is no excuse for not letting your coaches know where you are. It is very easy to call or text your coach to inform them if something has come up. An absence due to personal or family illness or emergency will be excused after the absence. All other absences need to be brought to the coaches' attention in advance. WORK is considered an unexcused absence.

**2) Activity Camps** – MBA promotes all athletic sports/extracurricular activities and is aware that some camps take place during the summer months. Please be respectful to your MBA team when scheduling these camps during our season. MBA's expectation is that players will be with their team for the entire season. Players missing multiple games due to numerous camps will be subject to a reduction in playing time.

**3) Vacations** – The MBA board hopes that all players are committed to trying to be at all games during the season. We however know that family trips get planned in the summer months too. The sooner the coaches are aware of these situations the better. Please understand that a reduction in playing time may occur if the player is gone on a frequent basis.

**4) Behavior** – Any throwing of helmets, bats, lack of respect for coaches or officials, excessive foul language, or any other behavioral action detrimental to the program will result in immediate removal from the game. Parents will also be asked to leave the field for misconduct as well. Under no circumstances will any inappropriate behavior be tolerated. Players having behavior issues may be put on a personal plan for the remainder of the year.

**5) Use of Chemical Substances / Tobacco/Criminal Activity**– Any player who uses, possesses, buys, or sells alcohol, tobacco, or controlled substances will be subject to discipline if seen by the MBA board, or if it becomes a legal issue. A tobacco violation will result in a 4 game suspension, an alcohol violation will result in an 8 game suspension, and a drug violation will result in a calendar year suspension from the program. Any other type of criminal activity punishment will be at the discretion of the MBA Board members on a case by case basis.

**6) Seatbelts**- All players are required to wear seatbelts on all Mitchell Baseball vehicles. All vehicles will be marked with seatbelt reminders. Players need to take the responsibility that they follow this rule at all times. MBA is not liable for an accident when a player is not wearing their seatbelt.

**Coaches, in conjuncture with Mitchell Baseball Board, have the right to use discretion when dealing with penalties involving the rules and regulations.**

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I read and fully understand the Mitchell Baseball team rules as outlined above and agree to abide by them.

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Parent /Guardian Signature

Date

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Player Signature

Date