



CASE BATBUSTERS

STANDARDS & EXPECTATIONS

1. You are making a COMMITMENT to this team. Each player on the team is expected to commit 100%. No exceptions and no excuses. This includes giving 100% at every practice, every drill, every game, and every situation. This includes working hard and hustling at all times.
2. You are expected to be at each practice and game on time with your equipment. This means being ready to start warming-up at the designated time (not arriving at warm-up time...). Being ready to warm-up includes having all equipment setup prior to the beginning of practice or pre-game warm-ups. Part of the equipment list includes water, snacks/lunch, basic 1st aid kit & medicines (if needed).
3. Parents/family members shall not enter the dugout, talk with/distract players during practices or games nor bring players food/drinks/supplies without prior approval by the coaching staff.
4. If you are late without a prior excused reason (or a reason the coaches determine is sufficient) there will be consequences. These consequences will be determined by the coaching staff at their discretion and can include individual or *team* discipline. Their decision may not be challenged.
5. You (player) will contact (call or text) the team manager or head coach if you are going to miss a practice/game due to illness, or any other reason. If you have a scheduling conflict with a practice/game, you (player) will notify the manager/head coach as far in advance as possible. Excuses from practices/games are at the coaching staff's discretion.
 - a. Missing practices/games will result in sitting-out games. Attendance will be recorded at every practice and taken into account at the next game(s). The number of innings/games missed will be at the discretion of the coaches. The purpose of this policy is to reward players that are present, not to punish players for missing practices/games.

- b. Repeatedly missing practices/games may result in dismissal from the team.
 - c. If you have homework that needs to be completed over the weekend, you shall work on it at the field during practice. If you are assigned a group project for school, you are expected to make an effort to coordinate working with your classmates around practice/game days.
 - d. In most circumstances, if a player is injured, she is expected to attend practices. A lot can be learned from listening, observing practice and talking with coaches. If a player is sick, and potentially contagious, they are not expected to attend practice.
6. Lying to coaches or teammates is not acceptable. Good character is an essential part of being a CASE Batbuster. Players caught lying (especially about reasons for not attending practices/games) may be disciplined or may be dismissed from the team.
 7. Hustling is mandatory. That means running everywhere you go. Failure to hustle at all times will result in consequences for the player or team.
 8. Preparation begins at home and continues to the field with the purpose of entering the game, or practice, with all the tools and skills you have...ready to perform at 100% of your abilities. Casual conversation during drills is not acceptable. All drills are conducted with a goal in mind: to improve your skills. Don't waste your time or the team's time with idle conversation. Stay FOCUSED at all times. When talented, well-trained softball players make mistakes or errors, they are almost always due to a lack of FOCUS or concentration!
 9. All players will assist in the setup and teardown of equipment for games and practices.
 10. Beginning with pregame drills, all players shall cheer, encourage and verbally support/motivate their teammates. This attitude is to be continued from the time we begin warm-ups until the final out! There are days we will win 10-0 and there are days we will lose 10-0. CASE Batbusters players convey the same attitude regardless of the score of the game and we NEVER QUIT!
 11. Possession of a cell phone at practices and games is a privilege. Cell phones must be turned off and remain in the player's equipment bag

during games and practices. Cell phones may be temporarily taken and stored by the coaching staff.

12. Show pride in your uniform and equipment. When CASE Batbusters helmets are not used, they will be stored in your equipment bag. Helmets will NEVER be allowed to lie on their sides. Keep the dugout neat and orderly. Bats will be in your equipment bag or lined-up with team bats. Gloves will be in your equipment bag. Coolers and/or water jugs will be lined up in a uniform manner.
13. Unsportsmanlike conduct will never be displayed by a CASE Batbusters player!
14. You are a student-athlete. Academics are the highest priority and before making a commitment to this organization, you need to know that you are capable of balancing school with the requirements of playing for this Organization.
15. Possession or use of illegal drugs (including prescription medications not prescribed to the player) or alcohol during any team practice, game, event or while the team is traveling, is grounds for dismissal from the team and organization. The use of illegal drugs (at any time) is unacceptable and could be grounds for dismissal from the team/organization.
16. Players (and parents) are a direct reflection on their teammates and the CASE Batbusters Organization. Social media has become an extension of an individual's personality. All players are expected to police themselves with regards to social media. Players must be willing to show the manager of their team any social media sites they have (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter etc.). Sexually explicit pictures/statements; pictures or references to drug/alcohol use; racist, sexist, bigoted statements/postings etc., are unacceptable and may result in removal from the team/organization.
17. Monthly dues are to be paid at the agreed-upon time each month (normally the first day of each month). Players may not be allowed to play in any games until dues have been paid each month. If a player falls behind on dues, they may be required to turn in all jerseys and equipment until they are current with their payments.
18. All startup fees and monthly dues are non-refundable.

19. Family members should not speak to coaches during games. Solely at the coach's discretion, anyone related to players making negative or derogatory comments towards players or coaches during a game or practice may result in:
 - a. Family members being required to move away from the backstop/dugout area.
 - b. Family members being required to leave the field.
 - c. Players being required to leave the field.
 - d. Removal from the team.
20. "Verballing" to a college is an agreement between the player and the college coach and should be taken seriously. When a CASE Batbuster player "verbals" it should be considered the same as a written National Letter of Intent (NLI). Players verballing and backing out of that verbal agreement cast a poor shadow on the CASE Batbusters Organization, as well as that player's teammates and jeopardizes future players attending that institution.
21. Failure to adhere to team policies and rules will have consequences. Consequences include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Extra conditioning
 - b. Game suspensions
 - c. Dismissal from the team/organization.

Player's Signature: _____

Player's Name: _____

Parent's Signature: _____

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