



MUKWONAGO TRIBE PLAYER & PARENT/GUARDIAN EXPECTATIONS

Welcome to the Mukwonago Tribe Baseball Club. We are looking forward to working with your son this season. The following information is a preview of what you and your son can expect from your participation on the Mukwonago Tribe Baseball Club Teams.

Players

Due to the age group we work with, we hesitate to use the word "select" as this indicates a player who has been chosen over other players. But, for no matter, our players are expected to practice and play hard, working to develop both individual and team baseball skills, and also molding themselves into good citizens thru respect of the game and team play. Please understand that practices are not optional. In order for the players to develop, as a team and individually, they need to attend every practice possible. We realize that situations will come up when a player cannot attend a practice or a game, but it is not fair to the players who put in the time and effort, as well as the team as a whole, to not adjust playing time accordingly. **Always call your coach "well in advance" when you're unable to attend a practice or a game.** Attendance at practices, along with player attitude and effort may **influence playing time** during games. Players are always expected to be respectful of coaches, team members, officials, other teams and all parents. In all aspects, we will be teaching the players to act like "they have been there before;" Baseball is a game in which emotions need to be checked.

Parent Commitment/Participation

Parents will be expected to participate in a number of ways: Getting players to practice/games on time (which means ON THE FIELD/DRESSED by the time coach sets practice or game warm up to begin, exhibiting a positive attitude around the players, and other parents. Being respectful of coaches, officials, parents and players of competing teams, and adhere to all facility rules. Many of the gyms we practice in have their own set of rules in which we must adhere.

We love to have as many parents, relatives, friends, and fans at all of our Mukwonago Tribe Baseball Games. However, we do have a few game rules that need to be abided by to make the experience positive for everyone. Please, as a parent, try to keep your entire cheering positive to our team and even as situations come up, positive toward the opposing teams and to the officials calling the game. As a program we have zero tolerance with abuse language, vulgarity, and constant negative remarks to the game officials, opposing team parent or players. Our coaching staff will be instructed to ask our fans to stop commenting during the game or if comments persist, to ask the disruptive fan(s) to leave. Should any further situations arise after our coach asks someone to stop; the coaches will be instructed to contact the Tribe Board for discipline. We sincerely hope it never gets to that point, but if it does, please expect the Tribe Team to react swiftly and completely to solve the situation.

Also, any comments in a social media format that are negative or detrimental to the Mukwonago Tribe Baseball Program or other Mukwonago School or Athletic Programs, their instructors, players or volunteers can also result in disciplinary action. Once again, we sincerely hope that these situations never come up.

Coaches

Coaches will strive to develop all players as individual and team players. The coaches will make every effort to communicate with both the players and parents. If a parent has any concern, please remember to pick an appropriate time to address it with the head coach. Following game is not the time to address the situation. Assistant coaches will be instructed to defer to the head coach regarding program questions, playing time, training style and other inquiries. (Mandatory use of the 24 hour rule is required. Take 24 hours to reflect on the issue and then talk to Head Coach). We want this experience to be positive for all involved.

Playing Time

We will strive to have as equal playing time as possible. Even though we are not a true "select" program, we will be working to develop the players to play at a higher level, hopefully leading to advanced select baseball, high school and beyond. To do this, players need to get time in games. At the same time, we are keeping score during games. Tournament and league games are competitive. We will make the attempt to win whenever possible, but are also looking to develop all players on the team.

* The above playing time takes into account the participants; attendance at practices, effort, attitude, sportsmanship and game situation. The coaching staff will try to place your son in as many situations to succeed and try to refrain from placing your son in positions to fail.

Citizenship

It is the expectation of the Mukwonago Tribe Baseball Club that our athletes are leaders on the field and more importantly off the field. The Mukwonago Tribe Baseball Club holds the right to suspend and/or disqualify program participants for conduct "unbecoming" to the team, program and/or the community. The club will review each situation on a case-by-case basis as it relates to how the program will discipline the player.

By signing below, you are also certifying that you will assist with making sure that family, friends, and your son comply with this agreement.

Welcome again to [Mukwonago Tribe Baseball Club!](#) We look forward to a fun and rewarding season.

PRINTED NAME OF PARTICIPANT: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____