



Letter to Managers and Coaches from the Board of Directors

Dear Manager:

Thank you for managing a Central Amherst Little League team this year. You and the other managers have the most important influence on the success of our baseball season. As a manager you have an enormous responsibility requiring significant time and effort towards the players. Our primary goal is to teach the game of baseball, and to provide a worthwhile and pleasurable experience for the players.

Some key points to remember:

As managers, you are teachers of:

- 1) Baseball, sportsmanship, discipline, respect for rules, safety, respect for authority, and respect for fellow players.
- 2) Baseball should be fun. We know it is more fun to win but your challenge is to be able to balance winning with losing and still have fun. Winning at all cost has no place in our program. Every player should feel as if they are a member of the team. It is not the intent of our program to play only nine of the best players with everyone else on the bench. It is our intent and philosophy that every player should be a member of the team and should play in all the games.
- 3) The game is for the players and not for the gratification of the managers/coaches, parents and friends.
- 4) The game must be won by the players on the field, not by the disruptions from the dugout or from parents/friends in the stands and certainly not by tricks nor plays of any kind from managers or coaches.
- 5) Respect for the rules is very important, and communicating and understanding the rules is an important part of your job. We must also add that respect for those officiating the game is of the utmost importance not only by the managers/coaches/team members, but by parents/friends in the stands as well.

Thanks again and best wishes for an enjoyable and worthwhile baseball experience!

Your Central Amherst Little League Board of Directors