

2018/2019 GVHS SOFTBALL

TEAM RULES AND EXPECTATIONS

1. **Players play, coaches coach, parents cheer.** We ask that there be NO coaching from the stands or through the fence. Your job as a parent is to cheer on your daughter and her team, not to undermine coaches or confuse the players. We sincerely hope this never becomes an issue, however if one arises we will refer this to Administration.
2. **We will always be on our best behavior.** We like our fans to be loud and proud, but we will not talk trash or bully others (Including racial slurs, attacking ones sexual preference or identity, religion, etc). There will be zero tolerance to this rule and players will be removed from the game/practice immediately, while parents will be asked to leave the stands. Repeated offenses are grounds for removal from the team.
3. **Coaches make the line ups.** As coaches we reserve the right to play our athletes where we believe will not only benefit them the most, but will also benefit the team/program the most. We always do our best to communicate to ALL of our athletes why we are playing them here or there and we are always open to having those discussions with our players. We ask that parents trust our decision-making and the years of coaching we have under our belts to make these calls. If issues arise as to why we are playing an athlete in a certain position they will be referred to Coach Soto or an administrator to be evaluated.
4. **Attendance is extremely important.** Players are expected to attend EVERY practice and/or game and to be on time! If a practice is missed, without a legitimate reason (sickness, family issue, etc) you will not start the next game. You commit to play on our team and with that commitment we expect you to attend all team functions. If this rule is not followed, it could lead to removal from the team.
5. **Uniforms.** All players are expected to be in correct uniforms for practice and games. Failure to wear correct uniform is grounds for removal from practice/games. Practice uniforms are set by team captains before the Monday practice each week. We ask that each team wear matching cleats, and this is voted on by team each team level. We do wear metal spikes at this level so please keep that in mind.
6. **Attitude.** We expect all of our players to come to practice and games with a positive attitude and a great work ethic. This includes a no drama zone on our field! Check it at the gate! This also includes being a positive teammate no matter if you are in the game or not. Any issues with this rule will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis, and could result in removal from the team.
7. **Grades.** We expect all of our athletes to maintain a satisfactory GPA, as such we conduct grade checks and study halls on a regular basis. This does not diminish the commitment you made to your team. You have to give your best to both being a student and an athlete at the same time. **MANAGE YOUR TIME WISELY!!!!**

I acknowledge I have received and understand the rules and expectations of the GVHS Softball Program.
